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## Regents table Senate proposal

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Heated, but good-natured debate occupied most of the Board of Regents meeting Thursday, as faculty and administration lobbied about the nine-hour institutional requirement package.

The nine hours of institutional requirements are made up of using computers, lifetime wellness and a multiculturalism component.

The Board voted to table the item by a 5-1 vote and wanted the Faculty Senate to work with Provost Taylor Barnes to develop a new 42-hour general education program.

Faculty Senate President Doug Dunham was unsure if the Senate would consider working out a new 42-hour package.

"My first reaction to that is that discussions are in progress," Dunham said. "My impression is that what we have now, what the Board has already approved, be what it is for the 42 hours, the Board has spoken. They tabled the nine-hour proposal which essentially kills it and so I think our work for the next catalog is done."

Barnes thought if Faculty Senate left the 42-hour program the same, the Board would be OK with that.

"The Board approved that 42 hours at the Dec. 13 Board meeting," Barnes said. "I'm sure the Board felt at that time, as I did, that that was a good solid 42-hour package. But it was my sense from hearing the discussion before the Board

that there was no clear rationale on why these nine hours weren't included in the original 42."

The faculty was caught off guard and upset by the Board's decision to not accept any of the institutional requirements, Dunham said.

"We all expected the Board to suggest that we reduce the number of hours to the institutional package, but we were surprised that they suggested we reduce it to zero," Dunham said.

Barnes was opposed to the requirement package because of the negative effects he thought it would have on transferring students.

Transfer students make up 25 percent of Northwest's enrollment. Barnes argued that adopting the program would add another semester to a transfer student's time at Northwest.

Dunham said the situation was different two years ago when they were developing the package.

"When we initially started this process we were under the impression that we could have institutional requirements and that we basically could take the 52-hour general education program that we had and were comfortable with and make it fit with what everybody at the state level agreed to," Dunham said. "Two years later there now appears to be more of a concern about competition in terms of the number of hours. And here's where I think the faculty is not in agreement with the administration."

### Record setting



Northwest guard Scott Fleming takes the basketball to the rack in the Bearcats' 100-51 drubbing of Central Missouri State University. The Bearcats scored 100

points in an MIAA playoff game for the first time. For more on the game please see page 1B.

## University considers arming safety officers

By LAURA PEARL  
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

To arm or not to arm — that is the question. And as University officials and Campus Safety representatives put this question before faculty and students in the coming weeks, they hope to find an answer.

Campus Safety officers and representatives from University President Dean Hubbard's Cabinet have teamed to discuss the possibility of arming Northwest's law enforcement.

The idea, which Campus Safety officers initiated, has gone through extensive study and discussion over the past few years. Now the University is bringing the issue to a campus audience and asking for input, said Ken White, Cabinet member and vice president of communications and marketing.

"As a Cabinet, we knew that this was not something that we should decide without extensive input from people on campus," White said. "There are certainly some issues that we're paid to take care of and decisions that it is our job to make, but this is an issue in which most people have a pretty strong opinion, and so we felt it wouldn't be right for us to make the decision without talking to as many people on campus as we could."

Campus Safety members began looking into the idea about four years ago, said Clarence Green, director of Campus Safety. Some of the officers brought the idea to a semi-monthly Campus Safety meeting, and officials soon began looking at local crime statistics and trends at other state and national institutions.

"We just really went into a research mode, investigating it, looking into what were some of the issues and what were some of the

concerns," Green said.

Results reflected some definite trends, Green said.

"Out of all of the data that we've been able to find and look at, we can't find anything, legally, that says a commissioned law enforcement campus safety department shouldn't be armed," he said.

Officers discovered that most other institutions that had police powers carried firearms. Northwest's officers have police powers, meaning they are certified police officers who attend the police academy and are certified by the state to make arrests and detain people.

Of the institutions studied, only Northwest and Arkansas Tech University had police powers and were unarmed. These two institutions were also the only studied universities that conduct criminal investigations unarmed.

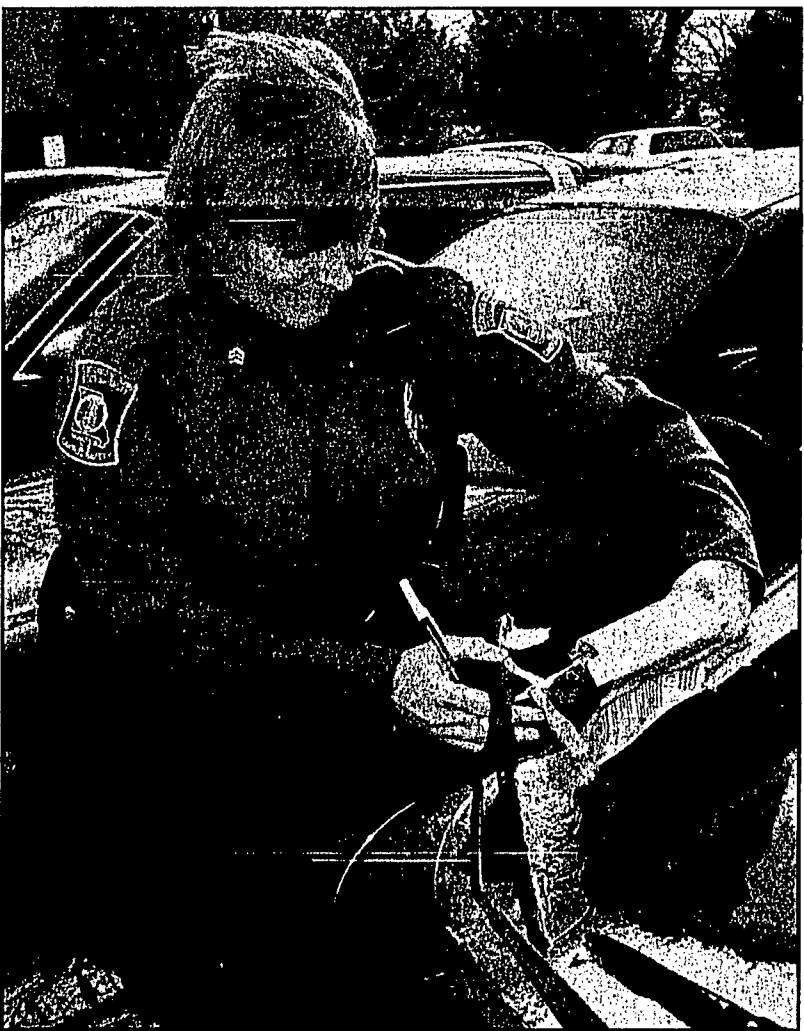
"They have every power that any police officer that you see in Maryville or on the state patrol has," Green said. "The only difference is, we don't carry a firearm."

Eighty percent of studied institutions Northwest's size arm their officers. Central Missouri State University, Southeast Missouri State University, Truman State University and the University of Missouri-Rolla are among those institutions that are armed.

Missouri Western State College, Missouri Southern State College and Southwest Missouri State University are unarmed. None of these three institutions have police powers, however.

Student and officer safety are also key issues in the University's discussion of the issue, Green said.

"It's not a weapon to rely on — just to respond," he said. "What this provides for the students and really all of the people on campus is that



Amy Watson, the only working female Campus Safety officer, enjoys working for Northwest. She thinks officers should be able to carry firearms.

they have a level of protection that's greater and that they can have an officer respond that's a fully functional officer that can take care of any problems."

Incidents such as a gunshot fired at a fraternity house and suspicious vehicles in the past few years are evidence that the issue might deserve some exploration, Green said.

"Any arrest really is an issue, because any time you arrest someone, you deprive them of their rights," he said. "That's when most

officers are assaulted."

Officers make between 100 and 200 arrests in an average year, Green said. Calls involving weapons must have the attention of armed officers, so currently the campus must contact Maryville Public Safety for such reports.

About two years ago, Campus Safety first brought the issue and studies to the Cabinet and Hubbard. At this point, the University discussed

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## Council approves funding for airport

By ABBY SIMONS  
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

Maryville citizens can expect to see changes at the municipal airport within the next year as the City Council made another step toward the airport's future improvements at their meeting Monday.

In the absence of Mayor Mike Thompson and Councilman John Jasinski, who were out of town for city business, Mayor Pro Tem Ron Moss and Councilmen Brad Lager and Bryan Twaddle voted unanimously to approve the selection of engineering company Snyder and Associates to head the future renovation of the Maryville Municipal Airport. As head of the airport committee, Twaddle announced the committee's decision to the rest of the Council after a selection process.

"We consulted many engineering companies for the job, and in the end, Snyder and Associates turned out to be the best bet," Twaddle said.

City Manager Matt Chesnut agreed with the committee's decision to enter into contract with Snyder and Associates for the airport construction because the engineering company has previous experience with the Federal Aviation Administration. Chesnut said the company also has an office in Maryville, making planning and construction considerably easier.

"Twaddle said the contract with Snyder and Associates will not go into effect for at least six to eight months. "This is not going to be an overnight project," Twaddle said. "It's going to take a little time, and we knew that going into it."

Twaddle said the project would most likely receive much of its funding from federal and state grants. "We've flown around and noticed

that cities in Iowa such as Shenandoah and Atlantic have very nice facilities," Twaddle said. "They're a lot smaller towns than we are, and they got federal money to do it."

Chesnut said the city could possibly receive up to a 90 percent reimbursement from the federal government on the project to go along with a state grant to the city in the amount of \$41,000 a year for three years.

Construction at the airport will include a runway expansion for the purposes of landing larger aircraft, because the current runway can only hold small twin-engine planes. Construction will also include renovation or replacement of the facility's deteriorating buildings.

"The past few years, it's been an eyesore," Twaddle said. "With industries, the University and the businesses that we have here in Maryville, we fly around to surrounding airports and see their new buildings, as opposed to our dilapidated ones."

Twaddle said the committee will have to first set up a master plan on what needs to be replaced at the airport before state and federal money is spent, but in the meantime, he is optimistic about the project.

"We have many people in favor of the project and not just pilots," Twaddle said. "We will see a lot of help from different people on this project and it's going to be very exciting."

In other business, the Council agreed to allow the state to put Business Highway 71 up for adoption in accordance with the Adopt-A-Highway litter removal program. The Council also approved two bids for new lawnmowers at Mozingo Lake Park.

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## Local fundraiser raises money for juvenile diabetes research

By MONICA CALDWELL  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Northwest Missouri may soon be home to a small-scale version of The Greatest Show on Earth.

Through a fundraiser for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, employees of the Maryville Hy-Vee will participate in unique antics as reward for the community's donations.

One participant is store greeter Fred Mares, who will shave his moustache and his legs and dress as the Chaquita Banana dancer, becoming Chaquita Fredrica for a day if the \$8,000 mark is reached.

"I'm looking forward to having a lot of fun with it," he said. "I'm a firm be-

liever in that you can have a lot of fun raising money for causes."

At \$10,000, store director Greg Chapman and customer service desk manager Eulia Mares will shave their heads, and customer service desk worker Elaine Millsap will dye her hair red.

As of Wednesday morning the total amount raised was \$5,300, making it quite possible these supportive employees may have to keep their promises by the end of the campaign.

In their third year of sponsorship to the diabetes foundation, Hy-Vee has upped its goal over \$3,000 from last year's total of \$6,100. Although the fundraising campaign began in Janu-

ary, the big events are still to come.

"It's kind of like childbirth right now," Eulia Mares said about the upcoming climax to the fundraiser.

The campaign included an all-you-can-eat chili and vegetable soup dinner Wednesday and Fred Mares played the piano and sang for donations.

Eulia Mares said the annual dinner usually brings in a total of \$1,000.

Also on the agenda for a team of employees is a trip to Des Moines, Iowa, as participants in the Walk to Cure Diabetes March 2. Hy-Vee is one of the top five world sponsors of the Diabetes Foundation.

Donations so far have come from Maryville residents, who have had the

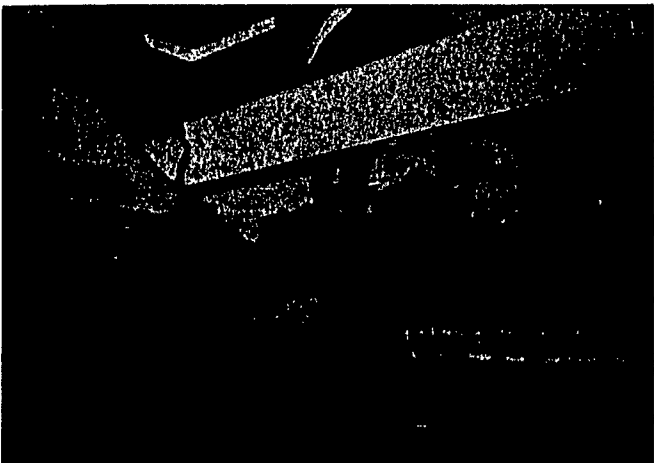
option of purchasing paper sneakers for \$1 at Hy-Vee, and local businesses whose names have been put on a giant bronze sneaker in the store after a donation of \$50 or more.

Even companies that can not afford \$50 have been generous.

"I've been assigned to call the businesses and all I have to do is tell them what it's for," said Eulia Mares. "We raise more money than stores in Kansas City and stores in Des Moines, Iowa."

For more information or to make a donation, contact Eulia Mares at Hy-Vee between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or call 582-2191.

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Eulia Mares puts up another donation at Hy-Vee for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. This brings them one dollar closer to their goal of \$8,000.



Mark Hetzler, director of Residential Life, discusses fire accident prevention, along with Lt. Phil Rickabaugh Monday in the Student Union. The discussion was part of Fire Safety Day, one of four days set aside as part of the campus-wide Health and Safety Week.

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## Week teaches safe living

Committee promotes health, safety during four-day celebration

By LORI REED  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Health and Safety week kicked off this week, with events taking place Monday in the Student Union with vital tips and information presented by guest speakers on how to stay healthy.

The week's events were sponsored by the Health & Safety Committee.

Health and Safety week will last through Thursday. There are two programs planned daily on the week's agenda. The second program each day is a repeat of the first, giving everyone the opportunity to hear the information guest speakers provide.

The first day of Health and Safety week was Fire Safety Day. This day informed people of how to get themselves out of a fire safely and other tips to prevent fires. Attendees were also taught how to evacu-

ate a building in case of a fire.

"Fire Safety Day was very educational," said Scott Harvey, vocal music education major. "I learned how to use a fire extinguisher in case of an emergency. It was a blast. I also learned other vital information that could save my life."

Tuesday was designated as Health Safety Day. Virginia Murr, assistant director of the University Health Center, gave audience members tips on how to stay healthy on a daily basis and how to prevent and treat infectious diseases.

Wednesday's events included the sharing of tips on how to get out of a flood safely and how to keep out of harm in case of a tornado. These topics were appropriate, as Wednesday was Weather Safety Day. Attendees were also given more detailed weather-related information from a guest speaker from the national weather center.

Thursday is the last day of Health and Safety week, with the topic of personal safety. During the programs, speakers will talk about how to deal with violence in the work place as well as how to handle bomb threats. The audience will also be told how to cope with personal violence and terrorism.

Guest speakers throughout the week included representatives from Maryville Public Safety, Campus Safety, the Health Center and the National Weather Center.

Information on personal safety was covered in each of the daily programs.

Attendees at the week's events had the opportunity to enter a drawing for a free campus parking pass for next year. The parking pass winner will be announced Thursday.

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## Annual event to showcase student projects

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Celebration of Quality will give Northwest's Presidential and Martin Luther King Jr., scholarship recipients the chance to return something to the community.

"It's a way to give something back to the campus," said Christy Crownover, a senior ecology major and second-year organizer.

Sigma Pi Sigma, the organization honoring the scholarship recipients, will host Celebration of Quality Saturday in Colden Hall. The

event is a symposium for students in all disciplines, said Nancy Mayer, Sigma Pi Sigma co-sponsor.

To participate, a student must be nominated by a faculty sponsor. Students and the community are encouraged to attend the free event.

"It is a good way to see what a professor considers a good paper," Mayer said.

Not only that, but students can expand their knowledge by attending.

"It is nice to listen to what others, especially people outside of my major, have to say," said Tiffany

Barmann, an English major and second-year presenter.

Presentations vary in subject and presentation style, Mayer said. There are art displays, speeches, papers and projects covering most campus departments.

The event starts at 8 a.m. in the Colden Hall foyer with check-in and refreshments. Provost Taylor Barnes will give the opening remarks at 8:30 a.m.

Morning presentations will run until 11:50 a.m., and lunch is provided for presenters and sponsors.

Richard Frucht, professor of history and humanities, will be the keynote speaker during the luncheon. Presentations will resume at 1:30 p.m. and will finish by 3 p.m.

The event has many presenters that repeat year after year. Students cite different reasons for wanting to participate each year.

"It is always good to get speaking experience, but it is not a huge group, so it is not that intimidating," Barmann said.

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## Student literary magazine to hold fundraiser at Pub

By MICHELLE STACY  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Four bands will perform at "Medium Weight Forks" first Save the Forks event at 8 p.m. Friday at the Pub. Four bands will play at the event.

"Medium Weight Forks" is a student-produced arts and literature magazine. The money raised at the Pub will help with the costs of publishing the magazine every spring. The magazine's student editors said they hope the fundraiser will help them be able to start publishing the magazine for the spring and fall trimesters.

Bands at the event will range from punk and alternative to hard rock. Bands Siree and RKR are both from Omaha, and AnvilHead is from Kansas City, Mo. Prank Monkey, a band from Maryville, will also play.

There will also be disc jockeys featured at the event. Deejays Adam Blake and DJ Girth, both from Maryville, DJ Wizzo from Omaha and Johnny Bradford from Kansas

City, Mo., will be attending the event.

Amey Proehl, art editor of "Medium Weight Forks," said almost everyone will enjoy this event.

"Since there are so many bands and deejays, it will grab a wider audience and different interests," Proehl said.

The bands and deejays will be performing simultaneously in the upper and lower levels of the Pub. "Medium Weight Forks" will also be selling glowsticks and water.

Brian Fish, managing editor and prose editor of "Medium Weight Forks," is confident the event will be a hit.

"This will be the biggest event Maryville has ever seen," Fish said. "With eight different performers, it's guaranteed to be one of the biggest."

The cost is \$3 per person and can be paid at the door. The event is open to anyone 19 and older. Those under 21 will be allowed downstairs only.

There will be information at the event about "Medium Weight Forks" for anyone interested in joining.

### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Amnesty International to show human rights films

Northwest's student-led Amnesty International group will be showcasing films during a two-day festival.

The event is designed to educate students and faculty about human rights abuses documented on film

and will include the films "A Place Called Chiapas," and "This is What Democracy Looks Like."

Each night will begin with a short presentation about the featured film's topic, followed by a showing of the film. After each film, the floor will be open for discussion.

Refreshments will be available. The event will be at 7:30 p.m. March 5 and 7:30 p.m. March 6 in Colden Hall 3500 and is free. Donations are welcome.

#### Career Day to offer job search opportunities

Students looking for future employment or internship opportunities might strike gold at the annual spring Career Day.

The event will take place Wednesday in Bearcat Arena, running from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The office of Career Services invited approximately 2,500 potential

business, 90 of which will be at the fair. The majority of the participants represent business and agriculture, because other fields have an abundance of applicants and see less need to recruit, said Jim Bowman, Career Services representative.

Students interested in internship or job opportunities should bring several copies of their résumés and should be ready to "sell themselves" to potential employers, Bowman said.

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## Service ends at bar, grill

By CHRIS LITTLE  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

After two years of business in Maryville, Cactus Grille has closed its doors.

Tony Munson, co-owner of the Mexican bar and grill, had many reasons for closing the restaurant.

"The main reason was there were not enough customers to generate good business," Munson said. "Business really dropped off after the Sept. 11 incident. Roughly 35-40 percent of our income just wasn't there anymore."

Munson said other reasons for closing included the inability to acquire a bank loan and staffing problems.

"Most of the workers are good people, but sometimes it is hard to find good help," Munson said. "During the summer it is hard to find management material as well as honest help. In all we've had four daily deposits stolen from the store and that means employees are to blame. That is why we had to close on such short notice, we didn't want any looting to occur."

Munson said clientele diminished and everything they tried failed. The lunch buffet, game room and the on-campus advertisements were all in vain.

"As compared to last year, we are \$100,000 off from what we made last year at this time," Munson said.

Despite the decision to leave Maryville, Munson hopes for the now-vacant restaurant to return in the future.

"We probably won't be back for a while," he said. "The decision to pull out was not an easy one. I hope that maybe someday we can bring Cactus Grille back."

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Pagliai's employee Jodi Gruenloh refills a glass of water for an awaiting customer. Restaurant owners Nathan and Amy Klaas have chosen to no longer serve alcohol to their customers as of Feb. 13 due to liability reasons.

## Pagliai's Pizza decides against sale of alcohol

By MONICA CALDWELL  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

A local restaurant has chosen to stop serving alcohol as of Feb. 13. Because of liability reasons, Pagliai's Pizza owners Amy and Nathan Klaas decided against keeping it on the menu any longer.

Their concern about customer safety taking precedence over alcohol availability. "I didn't want to be sued because somebody killed somebody else in a driving accident," Amy Klaas said.

Some returning customers have been mildly surprised at the Klaas's decision to cease serving beer. "They ask why, and when we tell them, they understand," Amy Klaas said. "There's been a few that have expressed some disappointment at it."

Prior to Feb. 13, Budweiser, Bud Light and Miller Light brand beers accompanied the standard non-alcoholic beverages on the menu.

Pagliai's chose not to compensate for the elimination of alcohol with other products.

Although this might have been a deterrent at other restaurants, Klaas confirmed that their decision has not affected customer loyalty.

Pagliai's has been an anchor on Main Street since April 1969. Although not a franchise, there are other pizzarias by the same name in the Midwest, from Iowa City, Iowa, to Kirksville, Mo. However, each restaurant is different from the rest and has little, if any, connection to the others.

Nodaway County's branch is open seven days a week with a lunch buffet at noon on weekdays and a 9 p.m. dinner buffet on Mondays and Tuesdays.

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*"I didn't want to be sued because somebody killed somebody else in a driving accident."*

AMY KLAAS  
PAGLIAI'S OWNER

## City plans to close landfill

By CLARK GRELL  
CHIEF REPORTER

With operation expenses running high and cheaper solutions available, the city of Maryville and the state of Missouri are looking at plans to close the remaining section of the city landfill, located north of Maryville on Highway 71.

Greg Decker, solid waste superintendent, met with EMC Incorporated and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources last week in Jefferson City to discuss design plans to close the landfill.

The plans take between four to six months to complete. Decker said he is hoping the plans will be complete by mid-March so the city can start receiving bids from earth-moving companies.

"Right now the MDNR is investigating the closure," Decker said. "The landfill is too expensive to operate and it would be beneficial to close it."

Closing sections of the 74-acre landfill began in 1989 and has con-

tinued throughout the '90s. The remaining 13 acres will be closed by midsummer.

The closure of the 13 acres will cost \$600,000. Decker said there is a possibility that some funding may be needed out of the city's general fund. By state law, the city has six months to close the landfill once they have decided to close the remaining section.

The City Council made the decision to close the landfill last July. Decker said they are committed to closing the landfill.

The city has now been using transfer centers to put trash in. Decker said more rural communities are starting to use transfer centers for trash pick up.

All trash in the city goes to a transfer center located near the current landfill. The trash is then taken out daily by two semi-truck loads to N.R. Hamm Inc., a 400-acre landfill in Perry, Kan.

Decker said the transfer center is the most reasonable and cheaper solution to pick up and store trash.

"It is an all-around better and cleaner operation," Decker said. "It is more acceptable."

Terry Allen, Williams' Service Sanitation Service general manager, said the process with the transfer station is more adaptable than the landfill.

"It is easier on the trucks and the drivers," Allen said. "There is no trash blowing everywhere. Maryville has a first-class transfer station."

Allen said the landfill was filling up quickly and its life expectancy was not very long.

Decker said city and rural residents cannot tell a difference in where their trash goes.

"With the closing of the landfill and the operation of the transfer center, residents can't tell a difference in change," Decker said. "If they didn't know where their trash was going, then they don't know where it is going now."

The city lowered fees in July and will soon re-evaluate the fees for adjustment.

## Hall of fame inducts local music teacher

By AMY PUTNEY  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

A Maryville teacher has recently been recognized for his lifelong achievements in music education.

Lee Schneider, former band director at Maryville R-II school district, was recently inducted into the Missouri Music Educators Association Hall of Fame at the MMEA's annual conference at Osage Beach, Mo.

The MMEA, is a state branch of the National Association of Music Education, which boasts over 80,000 members nationwide. Statewide, the MMEA has over 3,000 members dedicated to improving music education.

Schneider was nominated by present Maryville R-II band directors Bill and Heidi Dodd.

Schneider began his career in Benton, Wis., where he taught band for two years before moving to Mis-

souri. He taught at Tarkio High School for six years and Tarkio College for two years. At that point he moved to Maryville and began teaching at the R-II district. He remained there for 32 years until retiring in 1992.

Schneider admits that his favorite aspect of teaching is when a student is enjoying learning and he is able to help a student develop their abilities, but one moment shines bright among all of these memories.

"When I turned on the TV one day to see a former student of mine whom I had encouraged to play the trumpet playing in the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra, that's a good feeling," he said.

Besides his devotion to music in the area, Schneider is also active in the community. He is a member of the American Association of Retired Persons Tax-Aide Program, a group that helps the elderly prepare their taxes.

Schneider also serves as vice president on the board of the

Northwest Regional Credit Union. He has been an active member of the board since 1961.

Since retiring from teaching, Schneider still volunteers his time in the music departments at Horace Mann Elementary School and St. Gregory's schools, where his wife, Nina, worked until her recent retirement. They now spend their days enjoying local concerts and singing in the choir at the Presbyterian Church.



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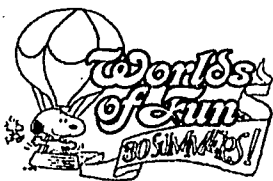
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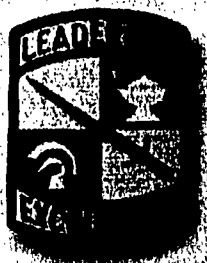
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## THE FIRE THIS TIME

# America forgets other world evils



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In President George W. Bush's State of the Union Address, he denounced Iran, Iraq and North Korea as an "axis of evil," citing their weapons development and the treatment of their people. For some reason Bush is not concerned about three other nations that continue to show an incredible disregard for human life: Saudi Arabia, Russia and China—we'll call them the "axis of friendly evil." Of course, Bush is not alone in this, convenient forgetfulness is a constant feature of world leadership.

Bush is fond of touting the freedom of Afghani women as one of the central victories of the war on terror—he did so dramatically during his address. I wonder what the women in our great friend and oil supplier Saudi Arabia were thinking; that is, if they were allowed to read or hear the address, which they probably were not. Women in Saudi continue to be victims of Taliban-like abuses, including arbitrary arrests and beatings, imprisonment in their homes by their husbands, summary execution and virtually no legal or employment rights. Of course others, like nonviolent Christians and human rights activists are arrested and tortured with electric shock weapons bought from the United States and the United Kingdom. Others are mutilated or executed for minor offenses. But as long as we can have military bases

there and pump their oil into our cars, Saudi Arabia will have to stay in the unmentioned friendly axis of evil.

During his trip to China, Bush spoke at Tsinghua University in Beijing. There he told the crowd, "Americans feel a special responsibility for the weak and the poor." That sense of responsibility apparently does not apply too much in China or in Chechnya, where our comrade against terror, Russia, is abusing the poor and the weak right now. In the Chechnya conflict, Russian troops have continually used torture, summary execution, arbitrary detention and forced disappearance, not to mention mass rape and burning and looting homes as common procedures—in other words, acts of terrorism. But, if Vladimir Putin will commit to cooperation in the war against terror, why should we mention his own government's terrorism?

In Korea, standing at the 38th parallel, Bush firmly said he would not change his view of North Korea until Kim Jong Il "freed his people." Not too far away in Tibet, millions must have been wondering when the world superpower would care about them.

China forcefully occupied Tibet more than 50 years ago. Since that time more than one million Tibetans have died and more than 6,000 Buddhist monasteries have been destroyed. Today, Tibetans go to prison for studying traditional music or culture, or for

peacefully expressing beliefs.

According to our own State Department, the Chinese government brutally ignores fundamental human rights. Archaic Chinese prisons hold vicious criminals like 5-year-old children and teachers. Since Sept. 11, China has used the war against terror as an excuse for a new "Strike Hard" campaign to jail or kill undesirables. They have used the future Olympic stadium as the site for mass trials—deciding the fates of hundreds in a matter of minutes, and then taking some to a field to kill.

While in China, despite thousands of international appeals, Bush failed to try to save the lives of various suffering political prisoners who are being illegally held and abused in Chinese prisons. Even saying some of their names might have prompted at least a few token releases. Bush mentioned freedom of religion, but as expected, Jiang simply said, straight-faced, that China protects religious freedom. So, as long as we have China as a World Trade Organization partner, and U.S. corporations can continue to exploit cheap labor there, I guess China will remain a despicable human rights abuser that the United States can be buddies with and we will not uselessly push the issue about nuisances like basic human rights.

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## MY VIEW

# Sometimes victory not in winning but in taking part



ABBY SIMONS  
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

First off, let me disclaim the following by declaring that I'm not much of a softy. I don't watch "Touched By an Angel," I own nothing pastel and I wish my hero Ozzy would bite NSYNC's collective heads off. Enough said? Growing up with three brothers will maim a girl's character like that.

Despite this, tears were brought to my eyes this weekend when I watched my good friend Ben wrestle at the Iowa State High School Wrestling Tournament in Des Moines. However, it wasn't the sight of pins and headlocks that stirred so much emotion in me, as I'm not the biggest wrestling fan, (the potential for ringworm really freaks me out) but instead it was what I learned from my friend at the tournament about the resilience of the human spirit.

Ben grew up in a family where wrestling was the gospel, and Dan Gable (former University of Iowa head wrestling coach) was Jesus. Despite this, probably the most influential person in Ben's life was his brother B.J., two years his senior. B.J. was not only a champion wrestler, placing no less than fourth at

the state tournament all four years of high school and holding numerous school records, but more importantly, he was a great guy and a model citizen.

Optimistic and always game for anything, whether mischievous or not, B.J. would hand the shirt off his back to a stranger if they needed it, and probably even if they didn't. To sum it all up, he was the most happy and alive person I ever had the privilege of knowing.

B.J. also had a bright future. As a freshman at Buena Vista University, he was a great student and a member of the wrestling team. Tragically, his future was cut short May 5 when a train collided with the pickup he was driving at an unmarked railroad crossing, taking his life instantly. The entire community who viewed him as a friend and hometown hero was devastated, most of all his family, including Ben.

After the accident, many believed that in his grief, Ben would never wrestle again. Contrary to this belief, he proved everyone wrong by not only rejoining the team his senior year, but wrestling a record-breaking season and making his way to the state tournament.

All the while he sported a new tattoo of a pair of yellow wrestling shoes surrounded by the words "In memory of my brother B.J." on his right bicep.

We all watched with pride as Ben wrestled his way through the tournament, seemingly not only for himself but for his brother as well. I don't think I'll ever forget seeing that look of intensity in his eyes as he pinned every man on his way to the finals. In the end he placed second in the state, better than his brother had, just like B.J. had always encouraged him to do.

As I saw my friend stand on the podium and receive his medal that night, I cried tears of joy. Ben had done a great deed, not only for himself, but for all of us who know him by showing us just how strong we really are, despite the most grave odds in an already cynical world.

Congratulations, my friend. We're all so proud of you, here on Earth and otherwise.

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## OUR VIEW

# Hostage policy

Even in light of recent murder of U.S. hostage. Daniel Pearl, hostage procedure should not change

Last week's videotape received by the U.S. State Department depicting the gruesome execution of kidnapped Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl dashed the hopes of a nation praying for his safe return.

Pearl was abducted Jan. 23 while on assignment in Karachi, Pakistan. His kidnappers, later identifying themselves as The National Movement for the Restoration of Pakistan Sovereignty, demanded better treatment of detainees in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and later \$2 million in exchange for the hostage. After a month of threatening e-mails, photos of Pearl in captivity and false alarms, it was discovered that Pearl was murdered.

The United States now grieves for the fallen 38-year-old reporter, as well as for the future of his wife, Marianne, and their unborn child, with whom she is seven months pregnant. With sadness also comes rage, not only against those responsible for the senseless death of the beloved journalist, but also against the long-withstanding policy by the United States not to negotiate for hostages under any circumstances.

Since the death of Pearl, who is among many journalists who have been abducted, held hostage and murdered while on assignment overseas, many are crying out against this policy. They claim that so many murders could be prevented if not for this policy and say that it should be changed and the United States should negotiate for hostages in any way possible in order to save a life.

The changing of this policy would create many more problems for the nation in terms of hostage negotiation. If our leaders were to negotiate for just one hostage, whether in terms of money or the release of prisoners, the floodgates would then open for foreign extremists, guerrillas and others to abduct an American that they see, all the while completely confident that their demands will be met. If an exasperated United States does not then meet these demands, the hostage will be executed, no questions asked.

As shown in the case of Pearl, authorities cannot be certain in many situations as to whether or not the hostage is actually alive. U.S. officials believe that Pearl may have been killed only a few days after his kidnapping, even before photos of him in captivity were sent. If the United States were to alter its policy and negotiate for a hostage who has already been killed, then the country has negotiated for nothing, and is out the ransom that has been paid, as well as the valuable human life.

In hindsight of Pearl's death, it is perhaps justifiable to argue that our journalists, missionaries, humanitarian aid and other workers who travel overseas in the name of the United States should be protected, but it is simply not justifiable to alter hostage negotiation policies. A good intention it may be, but it has nowhere to go but horribly wrong.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Student disagrees with Stroller's commentary

I was dismayed to read the Stroller's column on the radio station's new broadcasting ability. Up until that article, the Stroller had seemed very level-headed and realistic. I cannot believe that this same Stroller could miss the mark so completely this time.

The problem with the Stroller's comments is that they reflect a sort of "everyone owes me" mentality. Take, for example, these excerpts:

"This is awful and embarrassing. Why can't anyone support these programs? The students who work on these staffs deserve more from their peers."

And: "This station will not become a force in this community and on this campus because this campus will not support any of the mass comm. media outlets."

Support? It would seem to me that the Stroller has very strange ideas about what merits support. I don't remember anyone telling me that if

I attend Northwest, I must support everything associated with the college, regardless of its value to me. Anyone living in a capitalist society should know that support is not an unalienable right like life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Support must be earned.

If no one supports the products of Wells Hall, which I do not believe is true, then perhaps they should change what they are doing. The Urge concert proves that this campus will support, to the fullest extent, entertainment options that appeal to the masses.

The Stroller should realize that whining about a lack of support accomplishes nothing. Ideally, everyone on this campus would support everything everyone else did. Realistically, support is given only to those that earn it and contrary to the Stroller's belief, hard work does not always constitute earning it.

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## CORRECTIONS

■ In the Feb. 21 issue of The Northwest Missourian, Beth Goudge was incorrectly identified in the story "New insurance raises concerns." Beth Goudge is the wife of Theodore Goudge, associate professor of geosciences, and she is not employed by Northwest.

## MY VIEW

## Editor not satisfied with current University meal plan, wants flexibility



**DANNY BURNS**  
ONLINE MANAGING EDITOR

In an attempt to justify the brutal robbery students endure every time they purchase items from Campus Dining, price comparison sheets were handed out to students this week in the Union. While the comparisons seem valid and helpful, we shouldn't be content with mediocre selections, questionable quality and criminal prices.

Some say that students get the flexibility of "choice" with the current meal plan. In almost two years, the same meals are still around. Granted, there might be some small additions to various menus, but in general we still get our "choice" of Chinese that tastes four-day fresh, chicken tenders that can double as rocks, undercooked Mexican food that wouldn't make it across the border and the blatant price gouging we've all come to love. Twenty-ounce bottles

of FruitWorks for \$1.35 and 25-cent gum for only 55 cents, are we at Six Flags?

If "choice" is being able to select from seven, non-rotating "restaurants" with occasional truck-stop style food and high prices, then Campus Dining is correct, we do have "choice."

But if "choice" means having a truly flexible meal plan, with reasonable prices, quality food and true changing variety, then Campus Dining has failed.

Campus Dining might ask, "What do you want us to do?"

Well to begin, let's make Northwest different from other campuses. What a great selling point for potential students, a "real" meal plan offering a certain number of meals per week. Students can come in, swipe their card, eat until they feel full and not have to be content with chips and a water because they don't have enough money left on

their card. The food available in this area would rotate on a weekly basis—country-fried steak, ribs, seafood, all reasonable items and all very flexible. Currently, students are yet to be guaranteed three square meals a day under the current plan. Skipped meals, breakfast in the dorm room and an overall lack of complete nutrition is very much a reality for Northwest students.

The other part of the Union would be in addition to the "meals per week" plan. If you want to buy a beverage, grab a sandwich or snack and don't want to buy a whole meal, you have regular Aladine. And rather than a total that dwindles, how about offering a running tab that would be paid for at the end of semester. You eat what you want, when you want and do not have to worry that you won't have enough money to eat during finals week.

To recap, a meal plan that combines "meals per week" and regular Aladine would definitely go a long way in improving the campus-dining situation on campus. Will it happen? Doubtful.

Everyone's favorite on-campus business conglomerate, Aramark, will continue to handcuff us to their flexibility of "choice." And no other company can match the incredible selection, service and affordability Aramark has delivered to Northwest for years.

So, although the price comparison sheets handed out in the Union might have made some higher-ups feel warm and fuzzy, they did little to change the real issues at hand. Selection remains minimal, food is still questionable and the prices should be considered illegal.

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## YOUR VIEW

## Do you think Campus Safety officers should be armed?



"I don't think they should. If they get armed, that causes more problems than it solves."

**Steven Guhde**  
Therapy and recreation major



"I don't think they should be. Maryville is a pretty safe place and they should be able to talk through the situation without getting armed."

**Hanna Smith**  
Undecided



"I disagree to that. What would they be armed for? I guess it's safety for campus, but I just don't see the need."

**Sara Wryder**  
Undecided



"I don't think they should be. It's a little crazy, and it sounds extreme to get armed on school campus. There should be safety more than guns."

**Dareth Goettmoeller**  
Psychology major

## MY VIEW

## Internet dating might be beneficial to some, editor not taking chances



**TRISHA THOMPSON**  
COPY EDITOR

In a world of broken hearts, one can only hope that love really can develop by surfing the World Wide Web. Is this true? Some people would say yes, some no. But it is hard to ignore the infiltration of the Internet in our daily lives and more and more people are turning to it to find true love and happiness.

According to Internet research firm Yankelovich Partners, in 1999 one out of 12 single adults in the United States used an online dating service. By the end of 2001, one in five singles found a date online.

If you believe in e-dating there are definitely many different options. No matter what your sexual orientation, there are hundreds of sites out there to find your soul mate, from matchmaking sites for those who have disabilities to e-mail-order-your-bride sites, each one unique. Most sites let

you sign-up for a free trial before you actually have to pay for the service, which is nice because then you can explore their site and actually use it to see if e-dating floats your boat.

These sites set users up with a special password and collect all sorts of information about you so that they can match you with another user. Other sites let you look at e-date profiles of users, which can include pictures and other vital information (such as height, weight and if they have kids or pets). Some sites even let you chat with other users that are online or set you up with a personal e-mail account to manage your prospective e-dates.

I guess one of the best things about e-dating is that your true identity never has to be revealed unless you want it to. You can frolic in a world where no one can smell that you just finished

doing aerobics and are unaware that you smoke three packs a day and like to watch TV standing on your head. If the e-date goes that far, they might find out, but for the moment you connect with someone only through keystrokes, all other senses denied. Through these sites, you can totally make up a new identity and no one needs to know.

All of us have heard horror stories about the Internet and all the crazies that prey on people through chat rooms, but you have to be crazy and desperate to try one of these to begin with. E-dating definitely needs to be used with caution. Don't get me wrong, I have heard several success stories as well.

A friend of mine (names are withheld to protect the innocent) recently took the plunge and e-dated. That's right, she actually met someone online

and arranged a date to meet in person. The couple wine and dined and ended up back at her place to watch "Armageddon" of all movies. When it was time to say good-night, the couple ended with a lip-lock. All in all she said the experience was a good one and a second date is in the planning stages. Who knew true love could be sparked through an Internet connection?

OK, so I'm a little jealous, but still skeptical or at least not desperate enough to try out this avenue of love looking. Maybe someday I will be that desperate, but I'm almost positive that Cupid will not be replaced by a computer any time soon. For all you Internet love birds, good luck. I hope you find the right connection.

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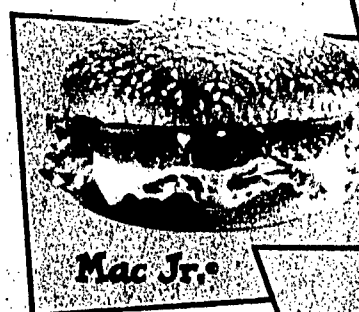
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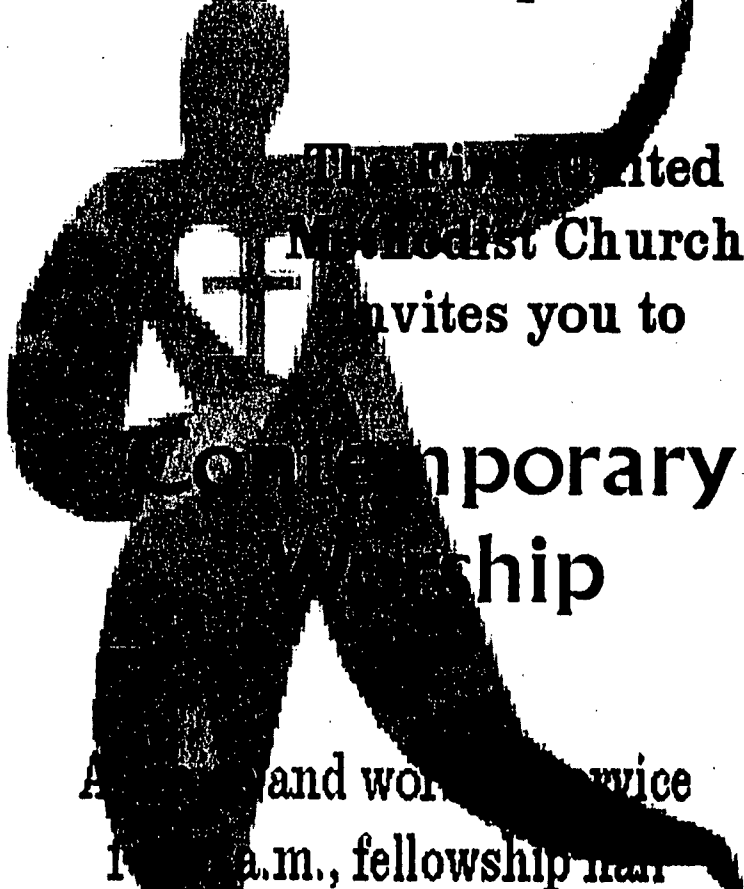


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- Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, noon and 8 p.m., Wesley Center
- Focus on Kids Program for Divorcing Parents, 4 p.m. or 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce Meeting Room
- Love and Logic, 7 p.m., Maryville Middle School Media Center
- Campus Crusade for Christ, 9 p.m., Colden Hall 3500

## MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, noon, Wesley Center
- Geo Club meeting, 5:30 p.m., Garrett Strong 1290
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 7 p.m., Wesley Center
- Eating Disorders Self-Help/Support Group meeting, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m., Colden Hall 2630

## FRIDAY

- Last date to receive 75 percent refund for dropped second block courses
- Medium Weight Forks Fundraiser, The Pub

## TUESDAY

- Geology/Geography Spring Banquet, 6 p.m.
- Maryville Middle School Writers Club, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., Middle School

## SATURDAY

- Celebration of Quality, 8 a.m., Colden Hall
- Red Cross Mental Health Training, St. Joseph
- Kappa Kappa Psi Junior High Band Festival

## WEDNESDAY

- Spring Career Day
- Last date to receive 50 percent refund for all dropped second block courses
- Freshman Seminar Peer Adviser Training Workshop, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Student Union Ballroom
- Lecture Series: Dr. Wilma King, 7 p.m., Charles Johnson Theatre

## SUNDAY

- Red Cross Mental Health Training, St. Joseph

## THURSDAY

- GED Test, 7:50 a.m., Wells Hall 120
- Pre-med Club meeting, 6 p.m., Garrett Strong 2520
- Career Services Interview Day
- Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, noon and 8 p.m., Wesley Center
- Campus Crusade for Christ, 9 p.m., Colden Hall 3500
- "The Boyfriend", 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center

## Improving self-esteem



PHOTO BY ALYSHA KEITH/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER

Students stopped by the information table Tuesday to take part in Body Image Awareness Week. It was dedicated to informing Northwest students about the importance of a person's perception of their own body. The week was sponsored by the peer education group Acceptance.

Edward Poje; one niece, Vivian Crosby; one great-niece, Caroline Massey and a great-nephew, Ryan Crosby.

Services were Feb. 23 at Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at Prairie Home Cemetery in Graham.

## Ellis Bennett

Ellis Bennett, 79, Blue Springs, died Feb. 21, at Independence Regional Hospital in Independence.

He was born Feb. 24, 1922, to Edgar and Bess Bennett in Graham. He is survived by his wife, Theda; two sisters, Elizabeth Hartwig and Jenny Wood; several nieces and nephews.

Services and burial were Feb. 23 at Maitland Cemetery in Maitland.

## Eva Dulin Swaney

Eva Dulin Swaney, 82, Hopkins, died Feb. 22, at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She was born March 5, 1919, to George and Mildred Kellogg in Agenda, Kan.

She is survived by one son, Gary Dulin; one daughter, Theresa Dulin; two step-sons, Roger and Doyle; one step-daughter, Joyce Lewis; two brothers, Morris Kellogg and Russell Kellogg; 11 grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren; many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Services were Feb. 25 at Price

Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at Savannah Cemetery in Savannah.

## Minnie Elizabeth Burgess

Minnie Elizabeth Burgess; 94, Onstead, Mich., died Feb. 22, at Herrick Hospital in Tecumseh, Mich.

She was born Nov. 9, 1907, to Luther and Lora Bell Williams in Clearmont.

She is survived by one daughter and her husband, Velma and Dale Manship, Afton, Iowa; one son and his wife, Donald and Gloria Edwards, Onstead, Mich.; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Services and burial will be March 1 at Oak Hill Cemetery in Maryville.

## Elsie Stiens

Elsie Stiens, 88, Maryville, died Feb. 25, at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She was born July 24, 1913, to John Oba and Mary Katherine Hilton Hall in Cheyenne, Wyo.

She is survived by five sons, Francis, Joe, John, Tom and Bill; two daughters, Mary Watowa and Florence Belcher; 27 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren and one uncle, James Hilton.

Services were Feb. 27 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church in Maryville. Burial will be Feb. 28 in St. Mary's Cemetery in Maryville.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

■ Officers received a report of a domestic disturbance in the 1100 block of North Walnut. Upon arrival, Nicole R. Evans, 24, Maryville, was issued a summons for domestic assault and transported to Nodaway County Jail where she was held in lieu of bond.

## BIRTHS

## Bryson Timothy Skidmore

Brian and Amy Skidmore, Maryville, are the parents of Bryson Timothy, born Feb. 14 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Linda Hunt, Creston, Iowa, and Bob Hunt, Lost Springs, Wyo. Paternal grandparents are Russ and Jocelyn Skidmore, Maryville, and the late Judy Skidmore.

Maternal great-grandparents are Marie Wookey, Grand River, Iowa, and Maurine Hunt, Leon, Iowa. Paternal great-grandparents are Bob and Donna Skidmore, Stanberry, and Monica and Kenneth Clayton, Maryville.

## Jordan Michelle VanGundy

Mindy Hilbert and Jeff VanGundy, Skidmore, are the parents of Jordan Michelle, born Feb. 17 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Sharon Hilbert, Maryville, and Rick Hilbert, Maryville. Paternal grandparents are Wes and Sheila Ward, Skidmore, and Gary and Diana VanGundy, Springfield.

Maternal great-grandparents are Ralph and Eleanor Daniels, Maryville. Paternal great-grandparents are Bonnie Johnson, Maryville, and Russell VanGundy, Maryville.

## Molly Elizabeth Renshaw

Troy and Jennifer Renshaw, Maryville, are the parents of Molly Elizabeth, born Feb. 19 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Chuck and Mary Schantag, Skidmore. Paternal grandparents are Kirby Renshaw, Skidmore, and Donna Renshaw, Skidmore.

Paternal great-grandparents are Gene and Judy Renshaw, Maryville, and Robert and Evelyn O'Riley, Maryville.

## Karlie Paige Dunlap

Charles and Julie Dunlap, Maryville, are the parents of Karlie Paige, born Feb. 20 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces, and joins three siblings, Abbie, Blythe and Chip.

Maternal grandparents are Keith and Brenda Best, Maryville. Paternal grandparents are Alex and Marlene Canterbury, St. Joseph, and Charles and Alice Dunlap, Kansas City.

Maternal great-grandparents are Ed and Betty Baker, Maryville. Paternal great-grandparents are Lloyd and Martha Canterbury, St. Joseph.

## Leighton Isaac Miller

Isaac and Janessa Miller, Oregon, are the parents of Leighton Isaac, born Feb. 21 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and joins one sister, Mychalynn Rebekah.

Maternal grandparents are William and Rosa Matthews, Forest City. Paternal grandparents are Cecil and Gina Miller, Stanberry.

Maternal great-grandparent is Virgene Markt, Richmond.

Paternal great-grandparents are Dorothy Miller, Bolkow, and Virgil and Carol Stanton, Bolkow. Paternal great-great-grandparent is Frank Miller, Savannah.

## DEATHS

## Harriett Ray

Harriett Ray, 81, Maryville, died Feb. 18, at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She was born Aug. 3, 1920, to Harry and Mamie Lasell in St. Joseph.

She is survived by one son, Jim; two daughters, Dottie King and Mary Adams; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren and one sister, Dorothy Chapman.

Services were Feb. 22 at the First Presbyterian Church in Maryville. Burial was at Nodaway Memorial Gardens in Maryville.

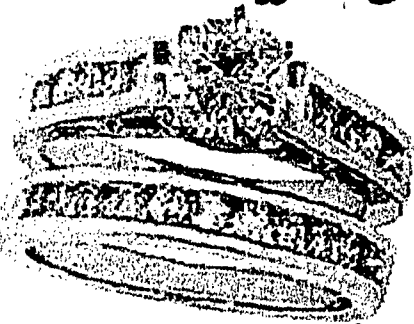
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Thelma Fern Adkins, 94, Graham, died Feb. 19, at Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

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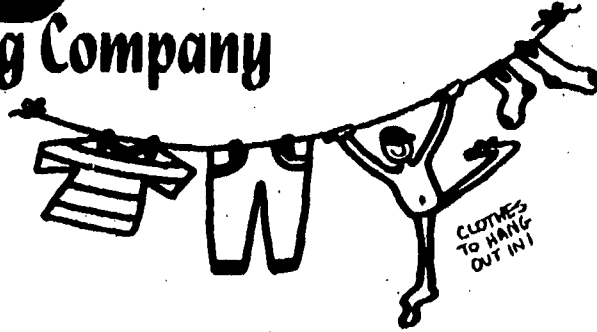
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# Bioenergy experiment fails

By CLARK GRELL  
CHIEF REPORTER

Already known for their alternative fuel uses, Northwest is attempting to take another step forward in energy conservation.

On Feb. 4, the bioenergy project team explored the use of food waste as a source of alternative fuel. The committee used food waste from seven different restaurants, including food waste from the Student Union, for the test. The group aimed at the waste compiled over the lunch hour at each of the sites.

The thought of using food waste as an alternative fuel source came up through Harvey White and the alternative fuels committee.

The researchers were hoping to make pellets out of food waste to burn for energy. Northwest has been successful before, making pellets out of wood chips since 1982 and paper since 1993.

After two trials, the research team was unable to make pellets out of the food waste.

"We had a pretty good idea of what we would find," said Arley Larson, associate professor and chair for the department of agriculture. "There was not anything really surprising. Now that we have done this, we have a better feel for it."

Robert Bush, co-director for healthy committees, said that although the two trials were unsuccessful, there is room for improvements.

"Over 20 years ago we had problems with the wood chips," Bush said. "Each phase has its problems that need to be tweaked and improved. We see this as a natural process."

Bush said that this part is like writing a text book since there are no experts on the process. The committee will look at other ways to approach the project. "We would look at several restaurants and the time of the day that the waste occurs," Larson said.

Seasonal differences also play a factor in the results, Larson said. Two bags were selected from each of the seven sites.

Waste was then sorted into categories. Food made up the first category, accounting for 46 percent of what was sorted. Paper products such as wrappers were placed into the second largest category. Plastic products such as straws, forks and spoons were placed into another category. Other categories included Styrofoam and fluids.

The sorted material was then put into a bin and ground into a wet material. Two hundred pounds of ground paper were added to reduce the moisture.

"What we were trying to do was get the material into a condition that we can make a pellet out of the material," Larson said. The group was unable to make a pellet out of the material. A second trial involved the 600 pounds of waste and paper and another 100 pounds of ground paper. Larson said the second trial was unsuccessful as well.

"From a University point of view, if we can't make a pellet out of it, then we are not able to handle it and utilize it," Larson said. "The wood chips are okay, because they are solid."

In order for a pellet to be made, the moisture of the material must be below 30 percent. The findings in the food wastes test showed moisture levels near 40 percent. Samples were sent to Honeywell International, a government facility in Kansas, where chemical analysis was done on the waste.

Larson said the team would like to continue working with the food wastes analysis but will have to wait for appropriate funding. "Unfortunately these kind of things cost money to do," Larson said. "Right now, we have not sought the money to go any further with it."

Larson said the committee hopes to get funding through industries that are interested in the results.

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## Officials await autopsy results

Man remains in custody, arrested in connection with toddler's death

By ABBY SIMONS  
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

A Maryville man remains in custody in connection with the death of a toddler while authorities wait for the child's autopsy results.

Michael Beattie, 21, remains in the Nodaway County Jail on \$100,000 bond after being charged with two counts of the class C felony abuse of a child. Charges stem from a Jan. 15 incident involving three children that resulted in the Jan. 17 death of 2-year-old Dayun P.J. Boatwright. After a joint investigation, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Nodaway County Sheriff's Department and Maryville Public Safety alleged that Beattie

hit, struck and possibly shook the children.

Their mother, Amy Clark, 21, Maryville, was charged with four counts of felony endangering the welfare of a child in connection with the incidents. The felony complaint alleges that Clark placed her children in the custody of Michael Beattie after Beattie had previously subjected the children to physical abuse.

The children were referred to the department of Family Services and are currently in foster care.

Nodaway County Prosecuting Attorney David Baird will make a decision regarding the filing of additional or modified charges against

Beattie after autopsy and final investigation reports are received, which Baird said may take up to two months.

"The wait for these reports obviously has a dramatic impact on the case," Baird said.

Baird said he is awaiting histology reports from tissue samples as part of the final autopsy results. Despite the length of the wait, Baird will still attempt to take action.

"We're currently trying to figure out what to do in absence of the reports," Baird said. "We may try to get a portion of the reports and work from those."

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## Giving the gift of life



PHOTO BY CHRISTINA CAMPOBASSO/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER  
Registered nurse Mary Jane Sonner prepares to draw blood from Bryan Grow at the St. Gregory's Blood Drive Tuesday. Grow was one of many participants in this year's blood drive.

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## Safety

the issue and brought a security specialist to campus to conduct a security audit. The specialist, a Northwest alumnus and former CIA agent, recommended the University officers use firearms, Green said.

A Cabinet subcommittee made up of Green, White, Ray Courter, vice president of finance-support services and Kent Porterfield, vice president for student affairs, met to further discuss the issue, studying statistics and trends among other state and national four-year institutions.

In December, the Cabinet brought the idea before faculty, staff and students to sort of test the waters. Meetings will be held March 6 with Leadership Forum and Faculty Senate, March 12 with Student Senate and Support Staff Council and March 13 with Residence Hall Association. A "town hall" forum, which will be open to campus members not included in the other meeting groups, is tentatively planned for March 20.

The meetings will provide the University with an opportunity to hear what the campus has to say

about the issue and to get a feel for what students and employees think, White said.

The University is asking people to serve in a consultative role and to discuss the issue from their personal perspectives, White said. The Cabinet will take this feedback and use it to determine whether or not to recommend the issue to the Board of Regents at its April meeting.

"We're not trying to sell either position on this," he said. "We're truly trying to determine how the campus feels. If the campus is overwhelmingly one way or the other, that's probably how we're going to go."

If the Cabinet decides to recommend the arming to the Board, the Board will then vote on the issue. If it passes the Board, it will possibly be implemented as early as summer or fall 2002. All officers except the ticket writer are trained to handle guns, and more than half of the 10 serve on drug strike forces or other such gun-carrying part-time jobs, so expenses will go toward the storage of weapons, costing around \$10,000, White estimated.

If the issue does not sit well with the campus or does not pass the Board, no arming will take place.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Local church plays host to ensemble performance

The Maryville First Baptist Church will play host to an ensemble of musicians at their 10:40 service Sunday.

The group consists of 10 University faculty and community members. The ensemble will perform with the church choir as well as throughout the service. Brent Evans, music director and coordinator for First Baptist will conduct the ensemble.

Evans' main goal for this Sunday is to increase the participation of college students in the church. He said the main focus of the performance would not be on the performers, but on Christ.

"Each of the performers was chosen to create something bigger than music," said Evans. "Being able to express music in new and exciting ways is the best way I can think of to honor and obey our lord Jesus Christ. And that is bigger than music."

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- ☐ Jennifer Connelly, *A Beautiful Mind*
- ☐ Helen Mirren, *Gosford Park*
- ☐ Maggie Smith, *Gosford Park*
- ☐ Marisa Tomei, *In the Bedroom*
- ☐ Kate Winslet, *Iris*

### Best Director

- ☐ Ron Howard, *A Beautiful Mind*
- ☐ Ridley Scott, *Black Hawk Down*
- ☐ Robert Altman, *Gosford Park*
- ☐ Peter Jackson, *Lord of the Rings FOTR*
- ☐ David Lynch, *Mulholland Drive*

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- ☐ Russell Crowe, *A Beautiful Mind*
- ☐ Sean Penn, *I am Sam*
- ☐ Will Smith, *Ali*
- ☐ Denzel Washington, *Training Day*
- ☐ Tom Wilkinson, *In the Bedroom*

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- ☐ Jim Broadbent, *Iris*
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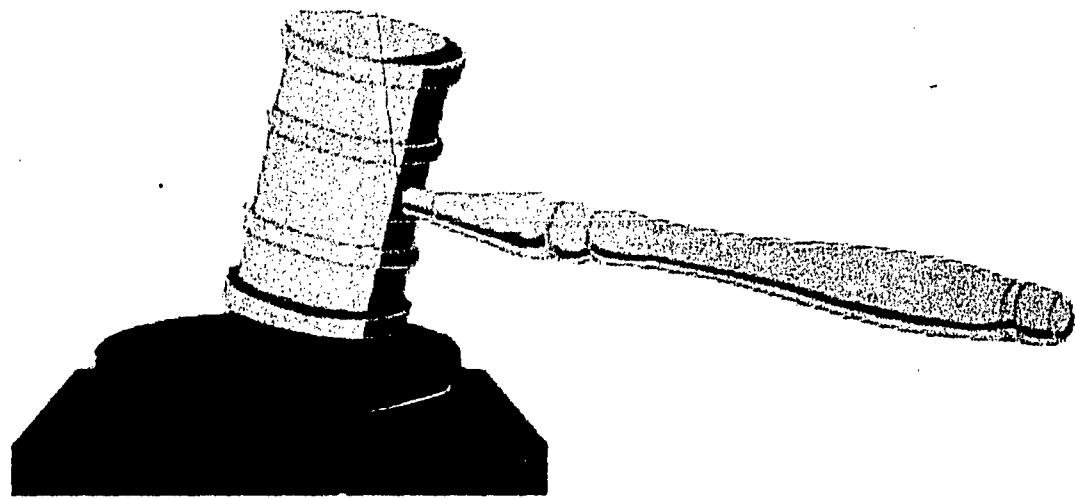
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# Thou shalt not what?

## Maryville ordinances, laws baffle Northwest students, community members



By ANN HARMAN  
FEATURES EDITOR

In Missouri, drunkenness is an unalienable right.

In St. Louis, no one is allowed to sit on a street curb and drink beer from a bucket.

And in Maryville, no one is allowed to breed animals in public.

These laws date back longer than anyone working the books now has been alive and definitely seem to show their antiquity. Nevertheless, they exist.

However, some odd-sounding ordinances still in effect for Maryville actually do serve a purpose — even if some people do not



The owner then has seven days to take care of it.

"It was an attempt to fix a problem and I think for the most part it did," said Keith Wood, director of Public Safety. "It's not like we drive around looking for couches on porches."

understand why.

For instance, anyone who has a living room couch on his or her front porch or in his or her lawn is violating a city ordinance prohibiting indoor furniture outside.

A lot of questions are raised with this one: Why can't I have a couch out there? Why would anyone want to put a couch out there? So what if someone else has a couch out there?

The answer is a lot more simple than one might think and does make sense. Basically, people were taking furniture out on their porches for parties or whatnot, and then leaving them to get rain soaked and ultimately left for garbage. It looked bad for Maryville and was creating a problem for surrounding homeowners.

City Manager Matt Chesnut said there is no reason for lounging party throwers to worry though.

"If you bring a couch on the porch for a night party and take it back in, are you going to get in trouble? No," Chesnut said. "A lot of times with those it's just, 'Oh, we didn't know.'"

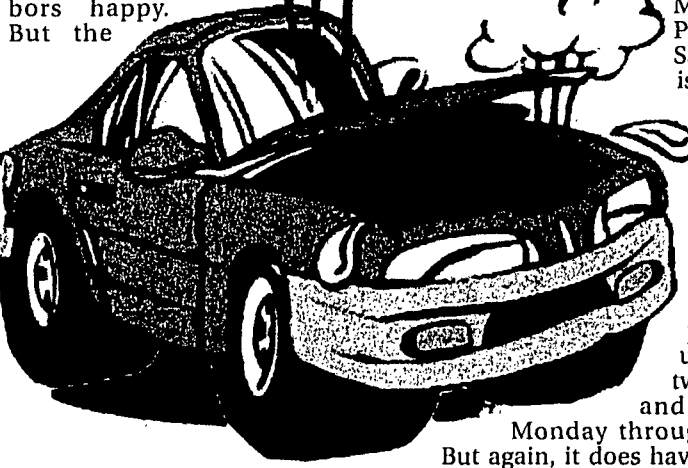
An officer cannot write a citation or haul anyone off to jail if he or she drives by and sees a couch on the porch. The officer first has to send a notification to the code enforcement department which has to send a letter to the property owner.

Most of the ordinances in effect pertain to housing issues, such as living standards and safety and are intended to protect owners and tenants.

Other laws, however, are designed to protect the owners' neighbors.

Maryville Ordinance 4890 states that there should be no overgrowth of unsightly weeds or grass.

This holds several benefits, including keeping varmints out of the neighborhood and neighbors happy. But the



biggest one is it keeps property value up.

Another ordinance prohibits any unlicensed vehicle from sitting outside uncovered.

Vehicles on private property can be uncovered and they can be unlicensed, but not at the same time. It is an attempt to prevent junked cars from sitting around, devaluing property.

Both ordinances are designed to keep Maryville looking pretty.

"When I travel around to other communities, I tend to look around for stuff that makes that town appealing or not appealing and I would put Maryville pretty higher up on the scale of not having a lot of garbage and junk sitting around," Wood said. "I think that's because of all the ordinances we have to protect neighborhoods and communities and businesses."

Another problem Maryville Public Safety faces is enforcing traffic laws. Some seem weird, for instance the law stating no parking uptown between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., Monday through Friday. But again, it does have a reason

for being: it protects uptown businesses and keeps customers happy.

"There's a lot of college kids that live uptown," Wood said.

"If we didn't have that, they would park where potential customers would park and leave their cars there maybe a week and businessmen complain."

Many laws seem to be targeted at college students and limiting their right to have fun, Chesnut said. However, they are actually in place to protect and restrict both college students and permanent residents of Maryville.

Wood said that many ordinances are the result of substandard and hazardous living conditions.

"There used to be some places that nobody should've been living in," Wood said. "For the most part, the city has made those places get repaired or they're gone and have been replaced with better stuff. In most cases it was, for lack of a better term, slumlords that were preying on the college population that wanted to live off campus."

Although many laws sound old or meaningless, most do have good intentions. They are intended to protect community members and keep everyone safe.

Most of the truly weird or outdated laws and ordinances have been repealed, but some have managed to keep their spots in the books.

As for the "no breeding animals in public" law, however, we'll just leave that one alone.

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### MORE WEIRD LAWS

#### Arkansas

■ A man can beat his wife, but no more than once per month.

■ Little Rock: A person could be jailed for 30 days if caught flirting on a city street.

#### Illinois

■ Chicago: No one is allowed to fish in his or her pajamas.

■ Oblong: It is illegal to make love while hunting or fishing on one's wedding day.

#### Iowa

■ No establishment is allowed to sell tickets to see a one-armed piano player.

■ Firemen are required to practice rescuing for 15 minutes before going to a fire.

#### Kansas

■ Wichita: Carrying a concealed bean snapper is prohibited.

■ Lang: No one may ride down Main Street in August on a mule unless the animal is wearing a straw hat.

### Weirdest Law:

#### Indiana

■ South Bend: Monkeys are not allowed to smoke cigarettes.

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■ No more than four women could share a single household.

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Northwest men's basketball

## Bearcats pound Mules, await Lions

By JUSTIN BUSH  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Northwest men's basketball team was on the prowl at Bearcat Arena Monday night in their first postseason game. The Central Missouri State University Mules had the unfortunate role of being the 'Cats' first victim.

The 'Cats jumped out to a quick 10-point lead just under six minutes into the first half. Then the 'Cats pounced on the Mules going on a 25-1 run to go up 36-4. Northwest continued their dominance throughout the half as they went into the locker room with a 50-19 lead.

Northwest brought the firing squad back out in the second half.

Shooting 52 percent from the field and using every player from the bench, the 'Cats sent the Mules home mangled and beaten in the 100-51 victory.

The 'Cats now look to face their next opponents, the Missouri Southern Lions.

The Lions handed the 'Cats a 17-point defeat in Joplin earlier in the season and they are looking for redemption.

"We want Southern," freshman Joel Yeldell said. "They beat us by about 20 down there, we beat them by 20 here and we are ready to take it to them on Thursday. They are in trouble. I feel sorry for Southern. If I were them, I wouldn't want to play us."

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Northwest 100  
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Bearcats blow Mules out

Men's head coach Steve Tappmeyer attributes the teams' play to good practices and assures that luck had nothing to do with his team's ability to shoot the basketball.

"We practiced real, real well yesterday and we are a team that when we practice well, we play well," Tappmeyer said. "We shot real well tonight (Tuesday) and shooting isn't a lucky thing. We were focused, we were sharp and we just had a lot of guys step it up tonight."

The 'Cats closed out the regular season at Bearcat Arena Saturday afternoon against the University of

Missouri-Rolla Miners.

There were a dozen lead changes in the first half before the 'Cats went into the locker room with a 38-34 lead.

The second half belonged to the 'Cats, coming out and quickly extending their lead by as much as 16.

The Lions were only able to pull to within 10 as the 'Cats went on to win their final game of the regular season 75-62.

The victory sealed a share of the MIAA conference championship for the 'Cats, the first for Northwest since the 1997-1998 season.

Monday night's game was not without its downfalls for the 'Cats.

Bobby Bearcat broke his elbow while executing an atomic elbow drop on a stuffed mule from the top of the scores table.

The 'Cats continue postseason at 7 p.m. Thursday at Bearcat Arena against Missouri Southern.

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PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT DIRECTOR  
Northwest junior forward Archie Jeter goes up for a layup in the Bearcats' 100-51 victory over Central Missouri State University. Jeter made the basket on the play and was fouled. The Bearcats will next face Missouri Southern State College at 7 p.m. Thursday at Bearcat Arena. The two teams split in the regular season.

## Despite lack of MIAA bid, seniors hold heads high

Players leave foundation of hardwork, unselfishness, leadership for future teams to build on at Northwest

By JUSTIN BUSH  
SPORTS EDITOR

Four years, an athletic career and a chapter in the book of the lives of seniors Dena McMullen, Jerrica Miller and Kristen Anderson came to a close Saturday afternoon when they stepped on the floor of Bearcat Arena for the last time.

After an up and down season filled with highs and lows, these three ladies still had a lot to fight for.

As a team the 'Cats needed a win along with a loss by Truman State to make the MIAA tournament.

At tip-off Anderson was sitting on 984 career points with one game left to play.

As the 'Cats squared off in their last game of the regular season against conference rivals, the University of Missouri-Rolla Miners, they hoped it would not be their last game of the year.

In the first half the lead wavered before the 'Cats went on a short run at the end of the half to head into the locker room with a 40-32 lead.

In the second half, the 'Cats took control of the game and quickly put it out of the Min-

ers' reach when they led by as much as 27 points with just over five minutes to play.

With five minutes left in the season, Anderson needed only two points to reach the 1,000-point plateau.

With 4:47 left in regulation, the referee blew his whistle. Anderson had just been called for her fifth foul and was out of the game. She walked back to the bench having scored 998 career points.

McMullen dominated the lane and the basket all afternoon as she led both teams in scoring with 18 points to help the 'Cats finish the season with a towering 87-61 victory.

The 'Cats did their part. Players and coaches waited after the game to see if Truman State would do theirs by losing to Missouri Southern. The

score finally came: Missouri Southern, 61, Truman State, 62. The season was over for the Bearcats.

The devastation was more than McMullen could handle at first.

"I wish I could play another one," McMullen said. "We had our ups and downs, we beat Emporia at Emporia and we beat Missouri Western at home. Those were the highlights of my senior season. It was a let down (when she heard the score of the Truman State game). I didn't think that was going to be my last game. It is hard to realize."

Anderson realized that there is more to life than trying to score 1,000 points. "I don't care, I was close enough," Anderson said with a grin. "It doesn't matter, it wasn't that big of a deal. I mean I can tell everyone that I got it. It can round up. I got some good passes from my teammates trying to feed me the ball. I appreciate everyone trying to help me out." Women's

head coach Ge-ne Steinmeyer had positive things to say about the three seniors.

"Dena has really led us," Steinmeyer said. "She by far and away has the most assists of any point guard during conference season and because she only averages about eight points a game she doesn't get the recognition that she deserves."

Steinmeyer expressed sympathy for Anderson coming up just two points shy of a milestone.

"I am disappointed because Kristen can't get her 1,000 now," Steinmeyer said. "Kristen is a pretty unselfish kid. I think that Kristen felt kind of funny that we asked her to be kind of greedy. Once the game got out of hand in our favor we asked her to be a little greedy. She passed away a couple of her chances for a 1,000 and that is about as unselfish as you can get. That is just Kristen though."

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Steinmeyer viewed Miller as an overlooked commodity to the team.

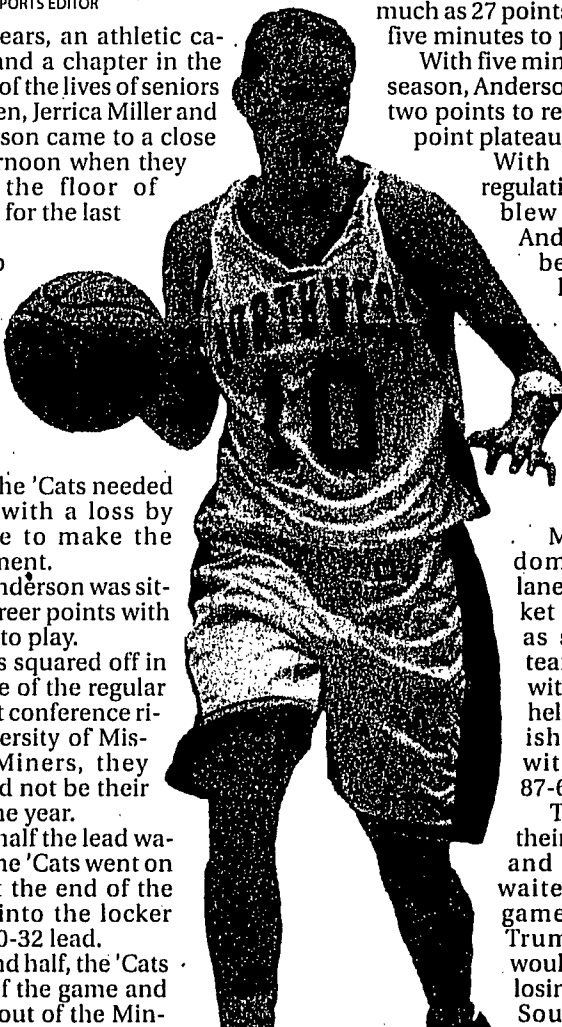
"Jerrica is the most invisible player that I have, because she is always in the right place defensively and she doesn't force shots, but knocks down the big ones when we need them," Steinmeyer said.

"She doesn't get the credit that she truly deserves, because she doesn't score a lot of points either, but if she was a little more selfish she could score a lot more points. If you knew how far down the totem pole Jerrica was at the start of practice in September to how far she has come, it is incredible."

Steinmeyer did not hesitate to express the joy he felt coaching the three seniors.

"I just want to keep coaching them, because we got three good girls right there," he said.

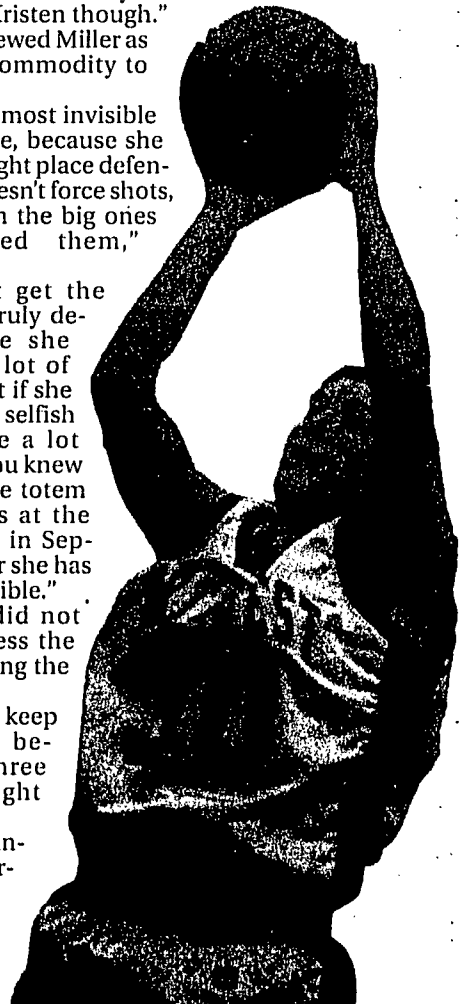
The Bearcats finished 12-15 overall. Justin Bush can be contacted at 562-1224 or jbush@missourianonline.com



Point guard Dena McMullen



Forward Jerrica Miller



Center Kristen Anderson

Northwest baseball

## Sluggers seek win after rocky start in St. Louis

By JUSTIN BUSH  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Northwest baseball team traveled to St. Louis last weekend for another four-game series.

Overall the result was similar to that of their trip to Arkansas the week before.

The 'Cats started the weekend off with a double-header against Lindenwood University Tigers Saturday.

The Northwest bats were red hot as the 'Cats scored 17 runs on 12 hits. The 'Cats were led offensively by senior Zac Ruff who went 4-4 with six RBIs including a homerun as the 'Cats went on to a 17-5 victory.

Unlike the slugfest in game one, the second game of the double header was a pitchers' duel.

Lindenwood scored first in the second inning. Senior Ryan Ellis answered back in the third with a solo shot to tie the game.

The Tigers fought back with a solo shot of their own in the fourth. That was as close as it got for the 'Cats as they dropped their second game 2-1.

On Sunday the 'Cats took the field against the No. 18-ranked team in the

nation, the University of Missouri-St. Louis Rivermen.

The 'Cats scored first in the second. The Rivermen fought back scoring three runs in the fifth on their way to a 7-3 victory.

In game two the Rivermen had a six to one lead over the 'Cats in the first half. Northwest battled back scoring four runs in the fourth to cut the lead 6-5.

The Rivermen scored another run in the bottom of the inning to take a two-run lead. Northwest would only score once more in their 7-6 loss.

Even though the team has started out the season at 2-6, men's head coach Darrin Loe seemed to be pleased with his team's overall performance.

"We have had five or six really good pitching outings," Loe said. "Right now if we were in midseason, those guys would probably go a complete game because they would be in great shape and go out and win those ball games."

"Hittingwise, when you can score 20 and 17 runs in two wins, we have proven that we can score some runs. Now we need to be more constant and do that every game and drive those runs in."

Northwest softball

## Games in Oklahoma start season

By CHRISTOPHER THOMAS  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Northwest softball team enters their 2002 campaign with a relatively young team, but with high expectations of competing for a conference title.

The 'Cats are coming off a 21-23 overall record and a fourth-place finish in the conference, which was their best record since the 1997 season.

With a roster consisting of only two seniors, the 'Cats will be looking toward their four sophomores and six freshmen to contribute greatly if they want to be successful this spring.

Senior pitcher Alison Adkins and junior outfielder Kelly Carter lead this year's team. Adkins will be following up a 2001 campaign where she led the team with 12 wins and a respectable 2.03 ERA. Carter earned first-team all MIAA honors in 2001 by posting a .278 average and leading Northwest with eight stolen bases, 10 walks and 24 runs.

The 'Cats will have seven new editions to their roster.

One of these editions includes junior Erica Hammonree, a junior college transfer who was an all-conference selection at Santa Ana Junior College in California.

The rest of the newcomers consist of freshmen that come from the Midwest. Lindsey Crouse, from North Kansas City High School, was a four-time



PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT DIRECTOR  
Pitcher Alison Adkins and outfielder Jessica Ruppert participate in the clock drill during softball practice Tuesday.

all-conference performer and will be playing a utility role for the 'Cats this season.

Jacqui Handlos, from Junction City High School in Junction City, Kan., was a first-team all-league selection for two seasons in her pitching career. Shelley MacDonald, a three-time all-state selection while pitching for Lawson High School, had 998 career strikeouts.

The 'Cats' first game of the 2002 season is at 2 p.m. Thursday against Central Oklahoma in Edmond, Okla. They will be playing in the Cameron University Tournament in Lawton, Okla., Friday and Saturday.

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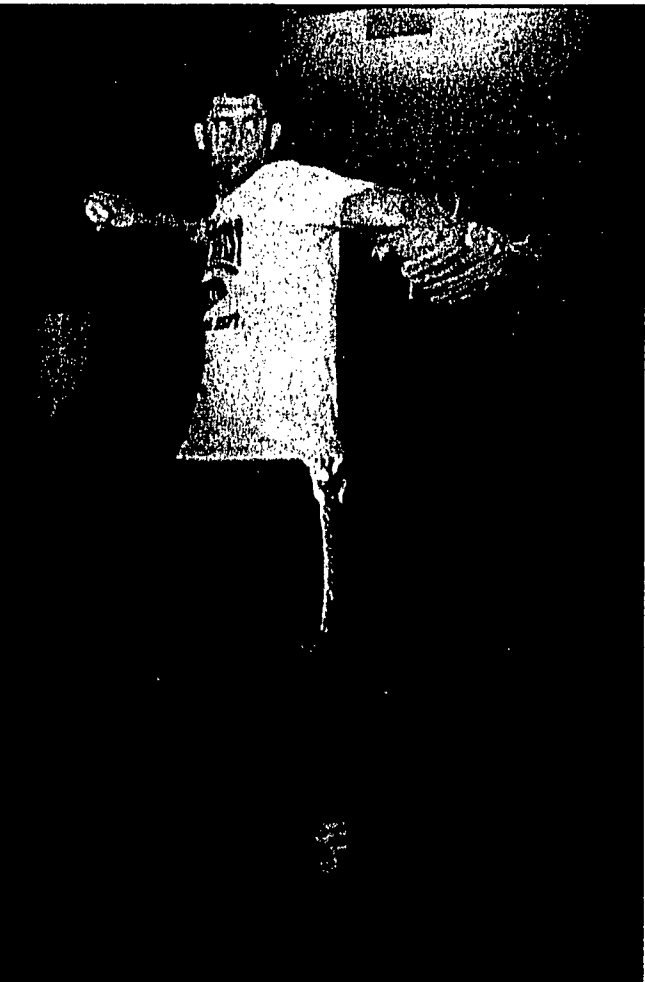


PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT DIRECTOR  
Northwest junior pitcher Ryan Zink gets some pitching practice in during Tuesday's session. The team heads to Georgia this week.

## Maryville boys' basketball

## Lafayette ends 'Hounds season

By MATT KENNEDY  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The 'Hounds entered postseason play knowing that one loss would end their season.

That loss came Feb. 21 against Lafayette in the second round of the District 16 Tournament.

Lafayette took an early lead, but the 'Hounds closed the gap to within three points at the half and took a one-point lead in the third.

Then, with the score tied at 36 with six minutes left in the game, Lafayette came to life, scoring 15 points in just over four minutes.

The 'Hounds were unable to mount a comeback and the game ended, 54-47.

Even though the 'Hounds were unable to extend their season with a win, head coach Mike Kuwitzky was not disappointed with his team's performance.

"I thought we fought hard and gave it our best effort," Kuwitzky said. "They were rotating nine or 10 players in consistently and were putting terrific pressure on us. Our kids had to work for everything they got, and by the fourth quarter we were just worn down a little."

The 'Hounds ended the season with a 17-10 record and first-place trophies in the Nodaway County and Savannah tournaments.

"Another highlight was beating Platte County twice this season, as

they are always great in sports," Kuwitzky said.

The second victory over Platte Co. took place in the first round of the district tournament on a last-second shot.

The sweetest victory for the 'Hounds this season was over LeBlond in the Savannah

Tournament, Kuwitzky said. LeBlond was undefeated up to that point and had beaten the 'Hounds by 36 points earlier in the season.

The 'Hounds will now start looking toward next season, when they will play without graduating seniors Ross Hullinger, Chad Hannigan, Trent Twaddle and Joey Wilmes.

Kuwitzky had nothing but praise for these seniors, on whom he credits the success of the season.

"I can't say enough about them, I love this bunch," Kuwitzky said. "They are great kids, they work hard, and I've never had a group in all my years of coaching that did more with what we had to work with. By their grit, hard work and attitude, they willed us to 17 wins this year."

Kuwitzky extended his praise for the seniors to the entire team.

"I'm so proud of this team, especially coming into the season with only one returning starter," Kuwitzky said. "It just broke my heart that we didn't get farther than we did, but we did make it an awfully long way."

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MIKE KUWITZKY  
BOYS' HEAD BASKETBALL COACH

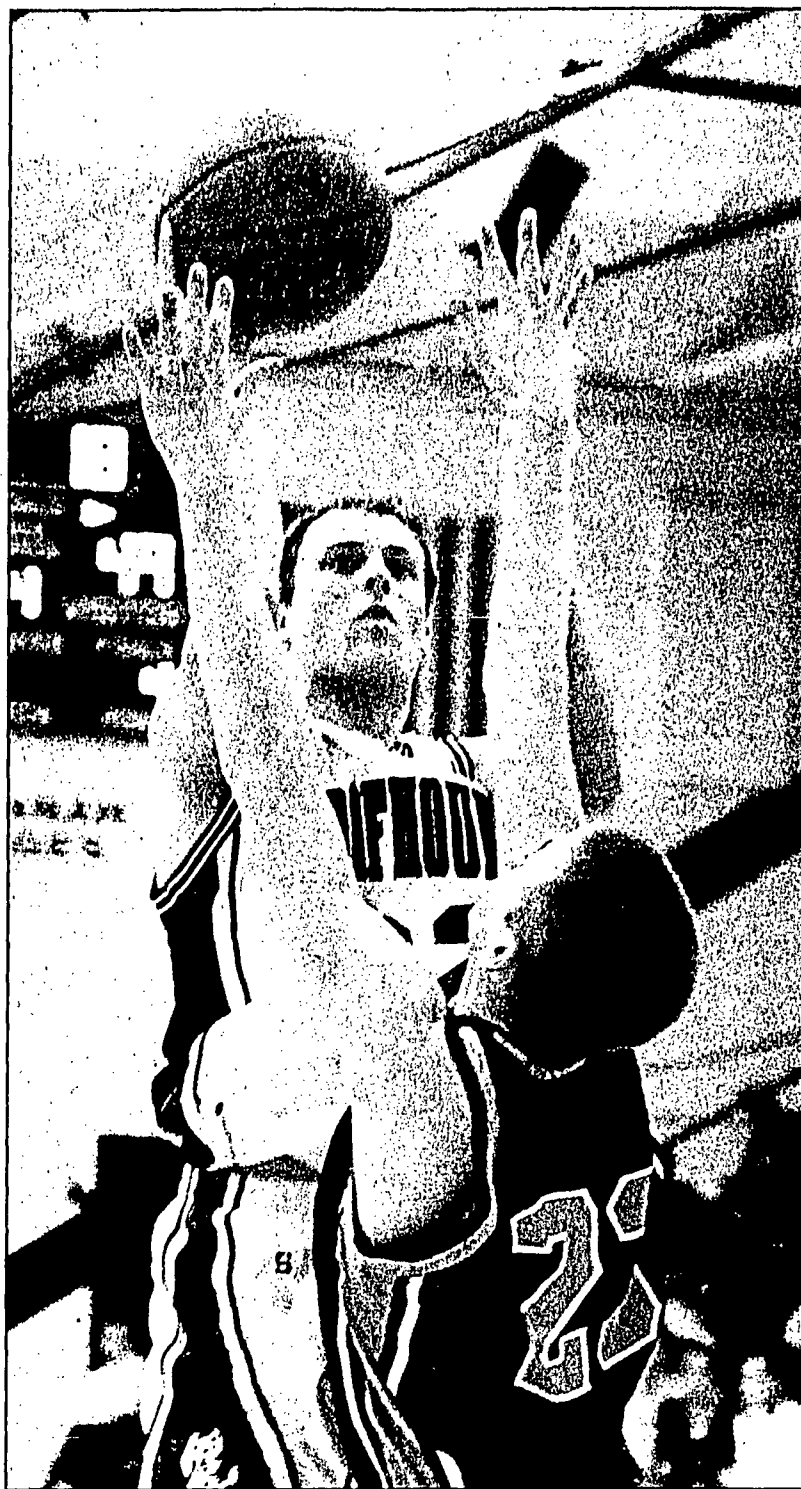


PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT DIRECTOR  
Maryville senior forward Ross Hullinger goes up for a shot in the Feb. 19 district game against Platte County. The 'Hounds lost in the district semifinals to Lafayette.

## RANTING &amp; RAVING

## Network misses chance to make games classic

The media industry is bitter, with every company trying to one-up one another. NBC was no different covering this year's Olympic Games.

It seems the highlight Nazis at NBC were content to being first-graders about releasing footage to other media outlets.

So for people like me, who are stuck in a basement or have to work at night, the majority of their Olympics were seen in still photos.

It really let me capture the essence of the moment, let me tell ya.

Way to go NBC, you took your ball and went home. What is the problem with supplying other outlets with highlights?

Did NBC think people would skip overall coverage and just watch the highlights?

I guess so, and they are probably right. If I have to hear another Bob Costas monologue or interview I am going to shoot myself.

It started during the opening ceremonies when Katie Couric and Costas were throwing out canned line after canned line.

I assured myself it would end there because Costas was better than that. I mean baseball fans think this guy is a god, he cannot be this corny.

How wrong I was, he is flat out bad. He should stick to baseball because those canned lines kept coming.

Then I had to endure the "children of light." The mascot of the 2002 Games was ridiculous. I mean, these kids did more than the athletes did. They sang, danced, skated, lit the fire within and accompanied the athletes to the medal stand.

Who was the focus of these games, the children of light or the athletes?

NBC dropped the ball again. With patriotism at an all-time high

after Sept. 11, the network could have made these games among the most memorable.

Instead, they were the same formula as other NBC Olympic productions that feature puff pieces on U.S. athletes only, corny commenting and coverage where it sees fit.

Of course there is a solution to all this. First, NBC should let Scott Hamilton commentate for every sport.

His giddy, schoolgirl cries during figure skating were priceless. I forgot who the woman doing the commenting was, Scott or partner Beth Ruyak.

Next, you pair Hamilton with U.S. curling skipper Tim Somerville. Somerville stole the spotlight for me in this year's games. This man is an intense individual who has not smiled a day in his life. And if you have seen him in action, you know that no one screams the word "hard" better than Tim Somerville does.

Hamilton's giddiness with Somerville's intensity will hold viewers for every sport, even cross-country skiing.

And finally, they need a woman in the booth. I suggest three women, Anna Kournikova, Britney Spears or Shakira.

Hey, people need eye candy and we all know that neither Hamilton nor Somerville fits that category.



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## Northwest indoor track &amp; field

## Indoor season continues for seven track members

By CHRISTOPHER THOMAS  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Various school records, three first-place finishes and 16 top-three performances are what the Bearcat indoor track and field athletes brought back with them from the MIAA Indoor Championships Saturday.

Sophomore Conrad Woolsey shattered the school shot put record that he set two weeks ago, by tossing 58 feet, 10 1/2 inches.

The heave also won first place and capped off a successful meet for the Bearcat men in their field events.

Junior Jenny Simmons had the best leap of Northwest's women indoor track history in the pole vault. Her flight of 11 feet, 6 1/4 inches placed her second at the meet.

Altogether the men finished second overall, behind Central Missouri State, by scoring 86 points.

The women were able to tally 59 points, amongst the cream of the crop in the MIAA, finishing fifth

overall.

The men came away with three first-place performances. Junior Joel Terry, who is ninth on the nationals list, ran away with the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.27 seconds, junior Kyle Keraus gave a top-notch run in the 800-meter run with a time of 1:55.37 and Woolsey's heave in the shot put.

Other top-three performances given by the men were by freshman Jamaica Rector, who placed second in both the long and triple jumps with a leap of 23-11 3/4 in the long and 48-2 in the triple, junior Chuck Abele's second-place run of 22.36 in the 200-meter dash and in the 4x800 relay gave the 'Cats a second-place finish with a time of 7:50.21.

Men's coach Richard Alsop said he was pleased with the second-place finish by his tracksters.

"Second place is a lot better than some of the places you could score and there were really some positives," Alsop said. "Individually we did a good job. We could go

right down the line where we scored the points and the kids performed at their best. That's what we ask them to do and that's what they did."

Senior April House paced the women by scoring 22 of the women's 59 points at conference. This comes after House had led all women athletes at last year's conference meet by being the highest scoring individual.

House finished in the top three in three different events. She placed second in both the 60-meter dash and 200-meter dash with times of 7.77 and 25.92 seconds. Her leap of 18-1 3/4 in the long jump placed her third.

Other top-three performances were given by junior Jill Fisher, who tied an indoor record in the long jump by soaring to a distance of 18-7 3/4, sophomore Mary Wirt with her heave of 54-0 gave her third place in the weight throw, junior Kadie Campbell in the 60-meter dash with a third-place finish and a time of 7.90 and Simmons

in the pole vault.

"I am pleased with the performances," said women's coach Vicki Wooton. "We had 18 season-best performances and several newcomers place in the top six."

The MIAA Championship brings a close to the indoor season for a majority of the athletes.

However, throughout the indoor season, seven tracksters qualified for the 2002 NCAA Division II Indoor Track and Field Championships.

Sophomore Daniel McKim, Senior Tucker Woolsey and Conrad will be competing in the shot put, Terry in the 60-meter hurdles, Rector in the long and triple jump, Simmons in the pole vault and Wirt in the weight throw.

These athletes will be competing March 8 and 9 at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Boston.

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## Women's Big XII basketball

## Cyclone seniors look to go out on top in final home matchup

By JEREMY GUSTAFSON  
IOWA STATE DAILY (IOWA STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) AMES, Iowa - The perfect scenario for Iowa State women's basketball senior night would include a huge win in which all the seniors step onto the court, play well and receive a final ovation. As the team leaves triumphant, the seniors return to address the crowd, which stands in appreciation.

"That's why there are movies and TV shows," ISU head coach Bill Fennelly said.

In the real world, No. 10 Iowa State (9-6 Big 12, 21-6 overall) hosts Baylor (11-4, 23-4), the eighth-ranked team in the country and second-place team in the Big 12.

"Obviously you want it to be a great night, something [the seniors] will remember the rest of their life," Fennelly said. "I don't think Baylor is going to be real accommodating and help us in that regard."

Four of the top five scorers in the Big 12 are playing in the game. Cyclone Lindsey Wilson leads the league at 19.8 points per game. Teammate Angie Welle is not far behind with 19.7 points and Lambert scores 19.6. Crockmore is fifth in the league at 17.6 points a game.

While the Cyclones played poorly in a win over Kansas on Saturday, Wilson hopes for a performance similar to when Iowa State beat then No. 2 Oklahoma, 82-66.


"That's what I'm planning on," Wilson said. "It's not gonna be a blowout. We need to come out with intensity and play with a lot of emotion and really have some fun."

It could be real bad if the Cyclones lose, especially when Welle gives her speech.

"It's gonna be a lot easier to give a speech if we win," she said. "I get kind of crabby when we lose."

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What was your favorite  
part of the Olympics?



"Having the United States set a new record with 34 medals."  
**Dwight Burke**  
Agronomy



"I didn't watch the Olympics because I'm a busy lady."  
**Michelle Sittig**  
Art



"My favorite part of the Olympics was when the Belarus hockey team beat Sweden. It was a big upset."  
**Justin Musgrove**  
Maryville resident



"I love the opening ceremony because everyone is getting along."  
**Sheryl Meiergerd**  
Art

SPORTS TALK

March Madness interferes with homework

The Olympics are over and after trying to watch every possible moment, I somehow managed to not get too far behind on my homework.

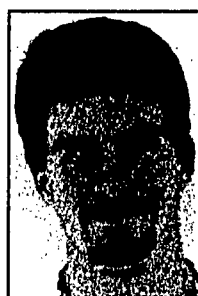
The secret was simple. I just went two weeks without sleeping. Now I find myself worrying again. February is almost over and March is upon us, which means March Madness.

For almost an entire month, every sports channel in the country will be covering college basketball six hours a day.

All over the nation, millions of college basketball fans will be following their favorite teams. Starting with each individual conference tournament and going all the way to the Final Four.

Having lived my whole life in Missouri, I have eagerly looked forward to cheering on the Missouri Tigers. I have been waiting to watch them fight and claw their way to the national tournament.

OK, I know that they haven't made it too far in the past few years and this year they are a bubble team at best, but hey, I am any-



**JUSTIN BUSH**  
SPORTS EDITOR

thing but a fair weather fan.

Soon fans all over the nation will be sitting down to fill out their tournament brackets in hopes of winning big in their office pools.

Ever since junior high I would call my dad, asking him what teams I should pick in order to score the most points in the pools my friends and I would start on the school bus.

This year Duke is my prediction to be the repeat national champions. They certainly are not unbeatable, but I cannot picture them losing another game this season.

This year, I find myself following another team through the postseason rankings, the Northwest Bearcats.

When I walked into the newsroom Monday I found the MIAA

men's tournament bracket lying on my desk. I sat down and quickly filled out my prediction for each game.

I have the Bearcats defeating the Griffins in St. Joe Saturday, just in case anyone was wondering.

This year I will be following the Division II bracket rankings instead of Division I and far more intensely.

After the 'Cats' amazing season, I am eagerly awaiting to follow the team both at home and on the road in their pursuit to make the national tournament in Indiana.

I want to encourage all Northwest fans to do the same. Take the fan bus or just hop in the car with some buddies for a road trip.

Let's stand behind our team as they step forward into the postseason.

I can promise that with this team, it is going to be an exciting ride.

So grab your Northwest apparel and hold on to your hats, the madness is about to begin.

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Women's WAC Conference basketball

New Mexico State sets record

By MARK HALL

THE ROUND UP (NEW MEXICO STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) LAS CRUCES, N.M. - It was raining threes Saturday night as the New Mexico State women's basketball team beat Louisiana-Lafayette 94-62 and set the NCAA single-game three-point record with 21, breaking the previous record of 19 set by Tennessee Tech.

Junior guard Mari Sanchez had a career-high 30 points, all coming from three-pointers, breaking and setting her own NMSU and Sun Belt Conference records of seven set on Dec. 6. She was 10 of 17 three-point shots, also setting the Sun Belt Conference record.

"They tell me to stay out and shoot," Sanchez said. "If I see any daylight, I will pull up and shoot."

Senior guard Melanie Maynes, playing in her final home game at NMSU, made all four of her three-point attempts, scoring the record-breaking shot with 3:30 left in the game. She finished the game with 26 points, 14 rebounds and five assists.

"This is the performance I wanted to have on my senior night," Maynes said. "This is how I wanted

to go out in the Pan American Center. This will be something I will always remember for the rest of my life."

The Aggies were 21 of 41 behind the three-point line, scoring 51 percent, and shot 33 of 79 attempts overall, scoring 42 percent.

Other top performers were Jenia Dimitrova, who scored 15 points and made three three-point shots and Princess Moore, who scored 14, making two three-pointers.

The Aggies hit 11 three-point shots in the first half, finishing 11 of 16, one of them a buzzerbeater from about 30 feet out from the basket.

This came after they started the game hitting only two of its 15 shots from the field. After finishing the first half with a 46-33 lead, the Aggies came out in the second half, going on a four-minute 20-6 run that put them on top 76-46.

"When we're rolling," head coach Nikita Lowry said, "we're hard to stop."

While putting together a historical offensive show, an impressive Aggies defense forced 28 Louisiana turnovers, while committing only 11.

Lowry was impressed with her team three-point shooting during the game.

"We know three-point shooting is our strength, so we try to run plays to get our shooters open," Lowry said. "If our shooters work, they will get their shots. As much as we shoot the ball, it will eventually go in."

Lowry also commented on the Aggies' ability to drive the ball to the basket.

"That's what makes us so special — we can go to the floor or drive to the basket," she said.

The Denver (7-8 Sun Belt) win Sunday left the Privateers and the Aggies tied for fourth in the Sun Belt's West Division, but the Aggies will travel to the tournament as the fourth seed because they have beaten New Orleans twice this season.

Lowry likes the Aggies' chances at the tournament.

"We're just excited and by no stretch of the imagination is it over. We still feel like setting some records," Lowry said, adding she wants the women's team to bring the first NCAA tournament bid in the Sun Belt Conference to Las Cruces.

FAN PLAN

Home games

	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Northwest men's bball	Missouri Southern 7 p.m.		MIAA Tournament TBA				
Northwest softball	Central Oklahoma (DH) 2 p.m.		Cameron University Tournament TBA				
Northwest indoor track and field							
Maryville boys' bball			Sectionals TBA				
Northwest baseball				Kutztown 9 a.m. Wayne State 5 p.m.	Grand Valley State 5 p.m.	Armstrong Atlantic 1 p.m.	

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## Your Man prefers dorm life

I look back at my career as a student and the places I have lived and came to the realization that living in the dorm was not all that bad. I know that officially they are called residence halls, but frankly I don't care.

In fact, I would encourage people to stay on campus for as long as possible. Sure, the school needs to figure some things out to make it an optimum place to live, but all in all it is not that bad.

Think of all the positives about living on campus as opposed to out in town somewhere. If you are having a hard time thinking of some, then I will give you some of mine.

The biggest complaint I hear from commuting students: "I had to wait 10 minutes for a guy to move his car so I could have a place to park." Well, if you lived on campus then you would not have to worry about waiting for a spot. You would have already parked your car and could walk anywhere you need to go within 10 or 15 minutes of putting on your shoes.

The next biggest complaint is, "The food tastes like my dog's butt." I know this comment just has to be wrong. I refuse to believe that a person actually licked their dog and the food here tastes that bad. Sure, the Union has its faults but the food is edible and if you are thrifty you can get just about anything you desire with that wonderful little card.

When you move off campus, you seem to lose a little of that camarade-



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rie that you get in the dorms. In a social living facility you usually can't help but make friends and know people. Sure, some of these people you do not like and some you do. Some of them clean up after themselves after a hard night of partying and some do not. These are just the different types of people that are out there in the world.

Just think how entertaining those nights were in the residence halls. You could sit up until about 2 a.m. at the end of every week and watch all those happy-go-lucky parties come home. You could watch them stumble their way down the hall looking as though they stopped by hell on the way back. As they begin to notice they are being watched two things might happen, they will want to hit you or hit on you.

The most entertaining evenings are when these people find someone to bring home after a long night. I think I

learned more about how thin the walls were during these times. Maybe I was just naive, but I thought that after a long night of partying you would want to go to bed, not scream and grunt like you were doing some kind of aerobics tape. Then I watched the visitors leave early the next morning with that, "where am I and what did I do last night," look on their faces.

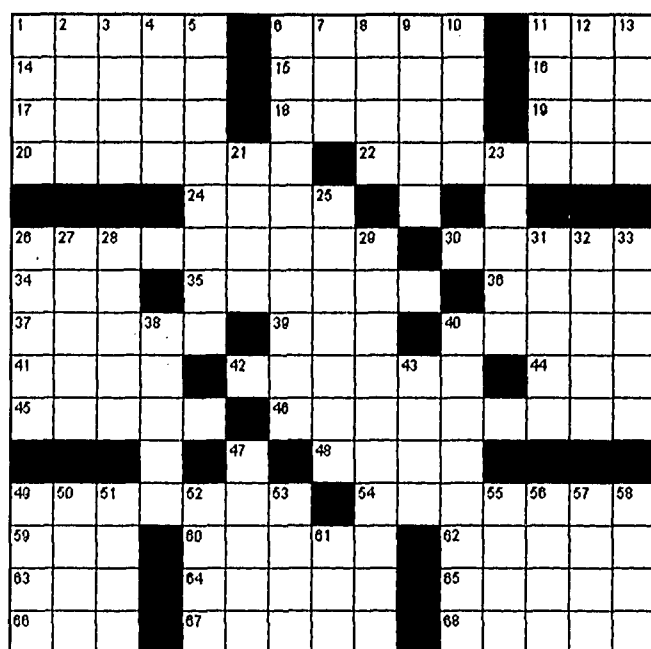
The other bonus about staying on campus is that you are always the target of advertisements. The bulletin boards everywhere are posted with all the news and events for the week, month, or semester and you see them every day on your way to the bathroom. You always seem to know what is going on without having to search out the information; it comes to you.

Besides all of these points, other good things about living on campus come in the form of free stuff. Dormers get all those extra free stuff boxes that are handed out at the beginning of the semester; they get free newspapers, free cable, free Internet and more. I know that some of these are tacked onto the bill, but still, in most cases the student is not paying for it anyway, so all that stuff is, in essence, free.

So maybe dorm living is the life for me, but I have said it before, maybe I am just a dork, a dork that you all read every week.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

## WEEKLY CROSSWORD



### Across

1. Hindu deity
6. Alder
11. On the affirmative side
14. Male name
15. Polynesian language
16. Moo
17. Beam of light
18. Totaler
19. Had
20. Water bird
22. Early afternoon naps
24. Packs
26. Refrigerant (6,3)
30. Spanish wine region
34. Large flightless bird

### Down

35. Portrait painter
36. In this way
37. With speed
39. Besides
40. Fruit
41. Delicatessen
42. Idle
44. Return on equity
45. Vehicles on runners
46. Photographic projectors
48. Brings
49. Food thickening agent (4,3)
54. Not either
59. It is
60. Canted
62. Supporting post
63. Narrow

### opening

64. Caused by a virus
65. Heavy textile
66. Exclamations
67. Diplomatic agent
68. To be frugal

10. Male parent
11. Map
12. Supreme Catholic tribunal
13. Is obliged to pay
21. Dry water-course
23. Connected series of rooms
25. Peccant
26. Guides
27. Impart motion to
28. A quality regarded as an independent object
29. Suggestively
31. Chicago airport
32. One of a judging group
33. Idiots
38. Apple drink
40. Continues obstinately
43. Fill to satisfaction
47. Commercial in a network broadcast (3-2)
49. Garbage in, garbage out
50. Brigham's state
51. Snakes
52. Yielded
53. Kind of missile
55. The other one from this
56. Native Arizonian
57. Female name
58. Pause
61. Buddhist around the Mekong River

Answers can be found on this page

## on the edge

### Gun facts:

■ Early guns took so long to load and fire that bows and arrows, in trained hands, were 12 times more efficient.

■ FBI agents were first allowed to carry guns in 1934, 26 years after the agency was established.

■ USA Today reported in 1998 that more than 40 percent of American households with children have guns.

■ Half of all murders are committed with handguns.

■ On average, more animals are killed by motorists than by hunters with guns.

■ In Japan, no private citizen can buy a handgun legally.

■ A gun invented in Germany during WWII actually could shoot around a corner.

■ In 1884, Hiram Maxim produced the first automatic machine gun.

■ Samuel Colt received a U.S. patent for his pistol with a six-chamber, revolving barrel on Feb. 25, 1836.

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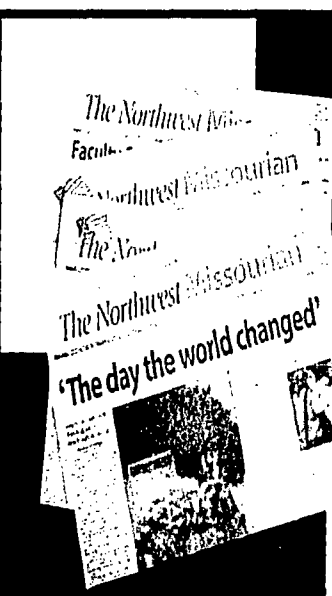
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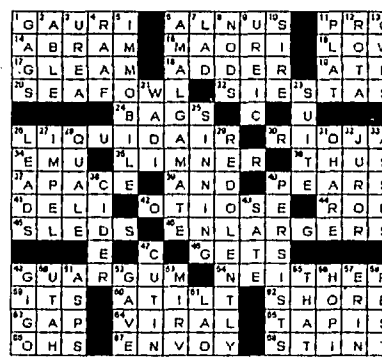


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